



## **Webcast Alert: CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Announces Its Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2004 Earnings Conference Call Webcast**

HOUSTON, Jan 18, 2005 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (NYSE: CNP) announces the following webcast:

**What:** CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2004 Earnings Conference Call Webcast

**When:** Thursday, February 10, 2005 @ 10 AM Eastern

**Where:** <http://www.centerpointenergy.com/investors/events>  
Click the link, "CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2004 Earnings Conference Call Webcast"  
OR  
<http://www.vcall.com/CEPage.asp?ID=90225>

**How:** Live over the Internet - Simply log on to the web at either address above.

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**Replay:** If you are unable to participate during the live webcast, the call will be archived at the links shown above for at least one year.

CenterPoint Energy, Inc., headquartered in Houston, Texas, is a domestic energy delivery company that includes electric transmission & distribution, natural gas distribution and sales, interstate pipeline and gathering operations and an electric generation business that the company is under a contract to sell. The company serves nearly five million metered customers primarily in Arkansas, Louisiana, Minnesota, Mississippi, Oklahoma, and Texas. Assets total about \$17 billion after giving effect to the first step in the sale of Texas Genco Holdings, Inc. With more than 9,000 employees, CenterPoint Energy and its predecessor companies have been in business for more than 130 years. For more information, visit the Web site at [www.CenterPointEnergy.com](http://www.CenterPointEnergy.com).

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