

CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC
Form 8-K
January 05, 2018

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 5, 2018

CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas
(State or other jurisdiction

of incorporation)

1111 Louisiana Houston, Texas

1-31447
(Commission

File Number)

74-0694415
(IRS Employer

Identification No.)

77002

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (713) 207-1111

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2).

Emerging Growth Company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure.

On January 5, 2018, CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (the Company) announced its capital spending plan for 2018 -2022. For additional information regarding the Company s capital spending plan, please refer to its press release attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 (the Press Release), which Press Release is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

The information in the Press Release is being furnished, not filed, pursuant to Item 7.01. Accordingly, the information in the Press Release will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by the Company under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference.

(d) Exhibits.

EXHIBIT

| NUMBER | EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION |
|---------------|--|
| 99.1 | <u>Press Release dated January 5, 2018</u> |

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.

Date: January 5, 2018

By: /s/ Dana C. O Brien
Dana C. O Brien
Senior Vice President and General Counsel