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December 14, 2006

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): DECEMBER 14, 2006

CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

TEXAS	1-31447	74-0694415
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1111 LOUISIANA HOUSTON, TEXAS	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)
- ☐ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- ☐ 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))

ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS.

CenterPoint Energy, Inc. ("CenterPoint Energy") today announced that holders of its 2.875% Convertible Senior Notes due 2024 have the option to require CenterPoint Energy to purchase their notes as of January 15, 2007.

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CenterPoint Energy plans to file a Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO related to the option with the Securities and Exchange Commission later today.

CenterPoint Energy also announced today its planned redemption of \$100 million aggregate liquidation amount of 8.257 percent Capital Securities, Series B of its indirect wholly owned subsidiary, HL&P Capital Trust II, on February 4, 2007.

Copies of the press releases are attached as Exhibits 99.1 and 99.2 hereto and are incorporated by reference herein.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are furnished pursuant to Item 8.01:

Exhibit Number	Description
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99.1	Press Release dated December 14, 2006 "CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Announces Purchase Option of 2.875 Percent Convertible Senior Notes due 2024."
99.2	Press Release dated December 14, 2006 "CenterPoint Energy Announces Redemption of HL&P Capital Trust II 8.257 Percent Capital Securities, Series B."

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: December 14, 2006

By: /s/ James S. Brian

James S. Brian
Senior Vice President and
Chief Accounting Officer

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