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CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC Form 8-K April 05, 2019

## **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): April 5, 2019

# CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

1111 Louisiana

Houston, Texas 77002
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

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

# CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas (State or other jurisdiction

1-3187 (Commission 22-3865106 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

**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))

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).

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# **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 April 5, 2019, CenterPoint Energy, Inc. (the Company) and CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC (Houston Electric) announced that Houston Electric filed its base rate application with the Public Utility Commission of Texas and the cities in its service area to change its rates. For additional information regarding the rate case filing, please refer to the Company s and Houston Electric s press release attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1, which is incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibit 99.1 is furnished, not filed, pursuant to Item 7.01. Accordingly, none of the information will be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, as amended, and the information in Exhibit 99.1 will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by the Company or Houston Electric under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified as being incorporated by reference.

(d) Exhibits.

**EXHIBIT** 

NUMBER EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION

99.1 <u>Press Release dated April 5, 2019</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.

Date: April 5, 2019

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CENTERPOINT ENERGY, INC.

By: /s/ Kristie L. Colvin Kristie L. Colvin

Senior Vice President and Chief Accounting Officer

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LLC

By: /s/ Kristie L. Colvin

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