

# CENTERPOINT ENERGY INC

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Symbol	CNP
SIC Code	4911 - Electric Services
Industry	Multiline Utilities
Sector	Utilities
Fiscal Year	12/31

**PRICING TERM SHEET**  
(to Preliminary Prospectus Supplement dated August 7, 2017)

Issuer:	CenterPoint Energy, Inc.
Security:	2.50% Senior Notes due 2022
Legal Format:	SEC Registered
Anticipated Ratings*:	Baa1 / BBB+ / BBB (Moody's / S&P / Fitch)
Size:	\$500,000,000
Trade Date:	August 7, 2017
Expected Settlement Date:	August 10, 2017
Maturity Date:	September 1, 2022
Interest Payment Dates:	March 1 and September 1, commencing March 1, 2018
Coupon:	2.50%
Price to Public:	99.971%
Benchmark Treasury:	1.875% due July 31, 2022
Benchmark Treasury Yield:	1.806%
Spread to Benchmark Treasury:	+70 basis points
Re-offer Yield:	2.506%
Optional Redemption:	Prior to August 1, 2022, greater of 100% or make-whole at a discount rate of Treasury plus 12.5 basis points (calculated to August 1, 2022); and on or after August 1, 2022, 100% plus, in either case, accrued and unpaid interest thereon, if any, to, but excluding, the redemption date.
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Joint Book-Running Managers:	Barclays Capital Inc. Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC MUFG Securities Americas Inc.
Senior Co-Manager:	TD Securities (USA) LLC
Co-Managers:	Evercore Group L.L.C. Samuel A. Ramirez & Company, Inc.

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