CPFL Energy INC Form 6-K December 31, 2018

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of December, 2018 Commission File Number 32297

CPFL Energy Incorporated

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Rodovia Engenheiro Miguel Noel Nascentes Burnier, km 2,5, parte CEP 13088-140 - Parque São Quirino, Campinas - SP Federative Republic of Brazil (Address of principal executive office)

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CPFL Energia S.A. Publicly held Corporation CNPJ 02.429.144/0001-93 - NIRE 353.001.861-33

MATERIAL FACT

CPFL Energia S.A. ("CPFL Energia"), a publicly held company, with its headquarters in the City of Campinas, State of São Paulo, at Rodovia Engenheiro Miguel Noel Nascentes Burnier, n. 1755, km 2.5, Parque São Quirino, ("Company") as requested by the applicable law, according torticle 157, § 4^o from Law n^o 6.404/76 (<u>"Brazilian Corporate Law</u>") and Instruction of Ecurities and Exchange Commission (Comissão de Valores Mobiliários - <u>"CVM</u>") n^o 358/02, herein communicates to its shareholders and the general market of the concessions grouping of distributions companies: RGE Sul Distribuidora de Energia S.A. (<u>"RGE Sul</u>") and Rio Grande Energia S.A. (<u>"RGE"</u>) in a single concession contract, by a corporate transaction of merger ("Transaction"), in which RGE will be merged into RGE Sul, considering RGE Sul as Merging Company and RGE as Merged Company.

On December 4th 2018, by means of the Resolution for Authorization n. 7,499, the National Agency for Electric Power (Agência Nacional de Energia Elétrica – "ANEEL") agreed on the grouping of the concessions of the two companies listed above, through the merger of all the assets of RGE into RGE Sul, on December 31st, 2018.

The Board of Executive Officers and the Board of Directors of the Company evaluated the offer and concluded that the Transaction, in addition to streamline the current corporate structure of the Company's assets will optimize the administrative and operational costs with large-scale savings and synergy, as of 2019.

As a result of the Transaction and relevant transfer of the assets of RGE to RGE Sul, the Company RGE will no longer exists and the capital stock of RGE Sul will change from R\$ 1,495,084,206.07 (one billion, four hundred ninety five million, eighty four thousand, two hundred and six reais and seven cents), to R\$ 2,788,106,505.07 (two billion, seven hundred and eighty-eight million, one hundred and six thousand, five hundred and five reais and seven cents), divided into 1,125,427 (one million, one hundred and twenty-five thousand, four hundred and twenty- seven) common shares, all nominative, book-entry shares with no par value.

Further information regarding the transaction will be available in Portuguese in the Company website (https://cpfl.riweb.com.br).

Campinas, December 31st, 2018.

Gustavo Estrella

Financial and Investor Relation Officer Executive Vice President

SIGNATURES

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, thereunto duly authorized. Date: December 31, 2018

CPFL ENERGIA S.A.

By:

/s/ GUSTAVO ESTRELLA

Name: Gustavo Estrella Title: Chief Financial Officer and Head of Investor Relations

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