

NISOURCE INC/DE
Form U-12-IA
September 27, 2005

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C.

FORM U-12(I)-A

Statement Pursuant to Section 12(i) of Public Utility Holding Company Act of
1935 by a Person Employed or Retained by a Registered Holding Company
or a Subsidiary Thereof

Note. This form is prescribed for statements to be filed within 10 days after the date of each activity within the scope of Section 12 (i) of the Act and for supplemental monthly statements which are required to be filed within 10 days after the close of each calendar month in which expenses are incurred or compensation received in connection with such activity. (Inapplicable to the extent that advance statements are duly filed on Form U-12(I)-B.)

(To be filed in DUPLICATE. If acknowledgment is desired, file in triplicate)

(See Instructions on Back of This Form.)

1. Name and business address of person filing statement.

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2. Names and addresses of any persons through whom the undersigned has engaged in the activities described in item 4 below.

Interstate Natural Gas Association of America
10 G Street NE, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20002

3. Registered holding company systems involved.
NiSource Inc. and its affiliates

4. Concise statement of (a) name of employing companies; (b) persons or bodies before whom matters were presented, advocated, or opposed, and (c) activities of the type described in section 12(i) of the Act, and extent to which other than routine expenses are contemplated.

Date ..9/26/205..... (Signed) ../s/ John H. Shafer.....

Section 12(i) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 provides that it shall be unlawful for any person employed or retained by any registered holding company, or any subsidiary company thereof, to present, advocate, or oppose any matter affecting any registered holding company or any subsidiary company thereof, before the Congress or any Member or committee thereof, or before the Commission or Federal Power Commission, or any member, officer, or employee of either such Commission, unless appropriate reports are filed as the Commission may prescribe.