

NISOURCE INC/DE  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**GROSSMAN J W**

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
801 E 86TH AVENUE  
(Street)

MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410-6272

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
NISOURCE INC/DE [NI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
01/04/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President and Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	01/04/2010	01/04/2010	S <sup>(1)</sup>	792 D	\$ 15.46	74,716	D
Common Stock						523,794 <sup>(2)</sup>	I 401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 25.94					01/01/2001	01/01/2011	Common Stock	9,434
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 21.005					01/25/2003	01/25/2012	Common Stock	11,416
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 19.84					01/01/2004	01/01/2013	Common Stock	20,281
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 21.86					01/01/2005	01/01/2014	Common Stock	24,232
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 22.62					01/03/2006	01/03/2015	Common Stock	59,486
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					(3)	(3)	Common Stock	33,301

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GROSSMAN J W 801 E 86TH AVENUE MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410-6272			Vice President and Controller	

## Signatures

Gary W. Pottorff, attorney-in-fact for Jeffrey W.  
Grossman

01/05/2010

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
  - \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on November 12, 2009.
  - (2) Includes shares acquired through the NiSource Inc. Retirement Savings Plan through 12/31/09.
  - (3) The phantom stock units are to be settled following the reporting person's retirement or other termination.

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