

NISOURCE INC/DE  
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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 \*  
FOSTER DENNIS

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/10/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410-6272  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**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) Code V Amount Price			
Common Stock	08/10/2005	08/10/2005	P	300 A \$ 23.29	13,365.9568 (1)	D	
Common Stock	08/10/2005	08/10/2005	P	2,380 A \$ 23.3	15,745.9568 (1)	D	
Common Stock	08/10/2005	08/10/2005	P	245 A \$ 23.4	15,990.9568 (1)	D	
Common Stock	08/10/2005	08/10/2005	P	1,000 A \$ 23.41	16,990.9568 (1)	D	

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. Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					08/08/1988 08/08/1988	Common Stock	14,914.01

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FOSTER DENNIS 801 E 86TH AVENUE MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410-6272		X		

## Signatures

Gary W. Pottorff, Power of Attorney for Dennis E. Foster  
 08/12/2005  
 \*\*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) Includes 48.4238 shares acquired on May 20, 2005 under the NiSource Automatic Dividend Reinvestment and Stock Purchase Plan.

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