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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM U-9C-3

QUARTERLY REPORT

FOR THE QUARTER ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2003

Filed Pursuant to Rule 58 of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935

This report is being submitted as a combined filing for NiSource Inc. and  
Columbia Energy Group.

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NAME OF REPORTING COMPANY	ENERGY OR GAS-RELATED COMPANY	DATE OF ORGANIZATION	STATE OF ORGANIZATION	PERCENTAGE OF SECURITIES HELD
Columbia Deep Water Services Company (Deep Water)	Gas-related	01/07/98	Delaware	1
Granite State Gas Transmission EnergyUSA-TPC Corporation	Gas-related	10/24/55	New Hampshire	1
KGF Trading Company	Energy-related	08/10/00	Delaware	1
Crossroads Pipeline Company	Energy-related	07/31/92	Indiana	1
NI Energy Services Transportation, Inc.	Gas-related	04/05/93	Indiana	1
NI-TEX Gas Services, Inc.	Gas-related	06/18/98	Indiana	1
NI-TEX, Inc.	Gas-related	03/30/87	Delaware	1
NiSource Energy Technologies, Inc.	Energy-related	08/26/88	Indiana	1
EnergyUSA Appalachian Corporation	Energy-related	10/27/00	Indiana	1
NESI Power Marketing, Inc.	Energy-related	02/19/01	Indiana	1
SunPower Corporation	Energy-related	07/18/96	Indiana	14.
NewPower Holdings	Energy-related	04/24/85	California	0.
Acumentrics Corporation	Energy-related	06/29/00	Delaware	3.
		08/18/94	Massachusetts	

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ITEM 2. ISSUANCES AND RENEWALS OF SECURITIES AND CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

SECURITIES:

Company Issuing Security	Type of Security Issued	Principal Amount of Security	Issue or Renewal	Cost of Capital	Person to Whom Security was Issued	Collateral Given with Security
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None

CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

Company Contributing Capital	Company Receiving Capital	Amount of Capital Contribution
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None

ITEM 3. ASSOCIATE TRANSACTIONS

PART I. TRANSACTIONS PERFORMED BY REPORTING COMPANIES ON BEHALF OF ASSOCIATE COMPANIES

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Reporting Company Rendering Services	Associate Company Receiving Services	Types of Services Rendered	Direct Costs Charges	Indirect Costs Charges	Cost of Capital	Total Amount Billed
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None

PART II. TRANSACTIONS PERFORMED BY ASSOCIATE COMPANIES ON BEHALF OF REPORTING COMPANIES

Associate Company Rendering Services	Reporting Company Receiving Services	Types of Services Rendered	Direct Costs Charged	Indirect Co Charges
Columbia Gulf Transmission	Deep Water	Operation & Maintenance		\$ 11,
NiSource Corporate Services Company	Columbia Deep Water	Administrative	\$ 21,782	
NiSource Corporate Services Company	NiSource Energy Tech.	Administrative	\$ 75,870	
NiSource Corporate Services Company	Granite State Gas	Administrative	\$ 96,368	
NiSource Corporate Services Company	Crossroads Pipeline	Administrative	\$ 67,196	

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ITEM 4. SUMMARY OF AGGREGATE INVESTMENT

(\$ in thousands)

INVESTMENTS IN ENERGY-RELATED COMPANIES:

Total consolidated capitalization as of September 30, 2003	9,848,085	Line
Total capitalization multiplied by 15% (line 1 multiplied by 0.15)	1,477,213	Line
Greater of \$50 million or line 2	1,477,213	Line
Total current aggregate investment: (categorized by major line of energy-related business)		
Energy-related business	-	
Total current aggregate investment	-	Line
Difference between the greater of \$50 million or 15% of capitalization and the total aggregate investment of the registered holding company system (line 3 less line 4)	1,477,213	Line

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INVESTMENTS IN GAS-RELATED COMPANIES

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ITEM 5. OTHER INVESTMENTS

Major Line of Energy- Related Business	Other Investment in last U-9C-3 Report	Other Investment in this U-9C-3 Report	Reason for difference in Other Investment
None	\$ 1,980,967,243	\$ 1,916,969,353	*

\* For Columbia, the scope of the reporting of other investments includes investments, including gas-related guarantees, made before February 14, 1997, in pre-existing subsidiaries that could have been acquired pursuant to Rule 58 (b) (2). These companies include Columbia Gas Transmission Corp., Columbia Gulf Transmission Co., Columbia Natural Resources, Inc., Columbia Energy Services Corp., and Columbia Propane Corp.

\* For NiSource Inc. the scope of the reporting of other investments includes investments made prior to 11-1-00 in pre-existing subsidiaries that could have been acquired pursuant to Rule 58 (b) (2).

ITEM 6. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

List all financial statements and exhibits filed as a part of this report.

Confidential treatment requested.

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EXHIBITS

1. Copies of contracts required to be provided by Item 3 shall be filed as exhibits.

NOT APPLICABLE

2. Certificate stating that a copy of the reports for the previous quarter has been filed with interested state commissions shall be filed as an exhibit. The certificate shall provide the names and addresses of the state commissions.

EXHIBIT A

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

NiSource Inc

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(Registrant)

Date: November 25, 2003

By: /s/ Jeffrey W. Grossman

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Jeffrey W. Grossman  
Vice President  
(Principal Accounting Officer  
and Duly Authorized Officer)

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