

NISOURCE INC/DE  
Form 35-CERT  
August 24, 2001

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Securities and Exchange Commission  
Judiciary Plaza  
450 Fifth Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20549

QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE  
PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935  
NISOURCE INC.  
801 E. 86TH AVE.  
MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410  
FILE NO. 70-9681

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the terms and conditions of Rule 24 under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, and the Order of the Commission dated November 1, 2000, authorizing the financing transactions and business activities as more fully described in the Joint Application/Declaration, as amended, the undersigned hereby certifies to the Commission that:

1. The sales of any common stock and the purchase price per share and the market price per share at the date of the agreement of sale

None

2. The total number of shares of common stock issued or issuable under options granted during the quarter under NiSource Inc.'s benefit plans or otherwise

218,451 shares

3. If common stock has been transferred to a seller of securities of a company being acquired, the number of shares so issued, the value per share and whether the shares are restricted to the acquirer

None

4. The amount and terms of any long-term debt, preferred stock or other preferred or equity-linked securities, or short-term debt, issued directly or indirectly by NiSource during the quarter

Please see Exhibit 1

5. The amount and terms of any short-term debt issued directly or indirectly by any utility subsidiary during the quarter

Please see Exhibit 2

6. The amount and terms of any financing consummated by any non-utility subsidiary during the quarter that are not exempt under rule 52

None

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- 7. The name of the guarantor and of the beneficiary of any NiSource guarantee or non-utility subsidiary guarantee issued during the quarter, and the amount, terms and purpose of the guarantee  
  
NiSource issued no guarantees during the quarter ended 6-30-01.
- 8. The notional amount and principal terms of any interest rate hedge or anticipatory hedge entered into during the quarter and the identity of the parties to such instruments  
  
None.
- 9. The name, parent company, and amount invested in any new intermediate subsidiary or financing subsidiary during the quarter  
  
None.
- 10. A list of Form U-6B-2 statements filed with the commission during the quarter, including the name of the filing entity and the date of the filing  
  
Form U-6B-2 filed on behalf of Northern Utilities, Inc. on June 21, 2001.
- 11. Consolidated balance sheets as of the end of the quarter, and separate balance sheets as of the end of the quarter for each company, including NiSource, that has engaged in financing transactions during the quarter

Please see the attached balance sheets for NiSource, Northern Indiana Public Service Company, Bay State Gas Company, Northern Utilities, Kokomo Gas and Fuel and Northern Indiana Fuel and Light.

Very truly yours,

NiSource Inc.

By:                   /s/ Jeffrey W. Grossman                    
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Jeffrey W. Grossman  
Vice President and Controller  
(Principal Accounting Officer  
and Duly Authorized Officer)

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EXHIBIT #1

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COMPANY	AMOUNT ISSUED DURING SECOND QUARTER OF 2001	AMOUNT OUTSTANDING JUNE 30, 2001	TYPE OF DEBT OR SECURITY
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NiSource Finance Corp.	-	1,937,134,000	Short-term Debt
NiSource Finance Corp.	300,000,000	6,125,800,000	Long-term Debt

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LENDING COMPANY	BORROWING SUBSIDIARY	INTER-COMPANY DEBT OUTSTANDING AT JUNE 30, 2001
NiSource Inc.	Northern Indiana Public Service Company	344,029,00
NiSource Inc.	Kokomo Gas & Fuel Company	6,364,00
NiSource Inc.	Northern Indiana Fuel and Light	500,00
NiSource Inc.	Bay State Gas Company	106,300,00

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EXHIBIT #3

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As of June 30, (in thousands) 2001

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ASSETS

PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:

Utility plant	\$ 15,863,653
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(7,507,697)
Net Utility Plant	8,355,956

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Gas and oil producing properties, full cost method	
United States cost center	961,115
Canadian cost center	21,571
Accumulated depletion	(36,752)

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Net gas and oil producing properties	945,934
Other property, at cost, less accumulated depreciation	83,257
Net Property, Plant and Equipment	9,385,147
INVESTMENTS:	
Net assets of discontinued operations	588,485
Unconsolidated affiliates	103,676
Assets held for sale	100,300
Other investments	49,731
Total Investments	842,192
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	142,700
Accounts receivable - less reserve	930,953
Other receivables	30,675
Gas inventory	186,077
Underrecovered gas and fuel costs	74,414
Material and supplies, at average cost	71,619
Electric production fuel, at average cost	33,160
Price risk management asset	479,869
Exchange gas receivable	527,996
Prepayments and other	292,336
Total Current Assets	2,769,799
OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory assets	522,472
Intangible assets	3,673,064
Deferred charges and other	502,509
Total Other Assets	4,698,045
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 17,695,183

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CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES

CAPITALIZATION:

Common Stock Equity	\$ 3,499,525
Preferred Stocks -	
Subsidiary Companies	
Series without mandatory redemption provisions	83,631

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Series with mandatory redemption provisions	48,824
Company - obligated mandatorily redeemable preferred securities of subsidiary trust holding solely Company debentures	345,000
Long-term debt, excluding amounts due within one year	6,125,819
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Total Capitalization	10,102,799
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CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Current portion of long-term debt	97,440
Short-term borrowings	1,937,135
Accounts payable	491,974
Dividends declared on common and preferred stocks	60,799
Customer deposits	34,388
Taxes accrued	195,158
Interest accrued	69,806
Overrecovered gas and fuel costs	119,305
Accrued employment costs	49,801
Price risk management liabilities	352,776
Exchange gas payable	261,571
Current deferred revenue	278,936
Other accruals	426,457
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Total current liabilities	4,375,546
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OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	1,847,148
Deferred investment tax credits	109,770
Deferred credits	386,237
Non-current deferred revenue	492,995
Accrued liability for post retirement benefits	275,573
Other non-current liabilities	105,115
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Total other	3,216,838
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$17,695,183
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EXHIBIT #4

NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY  
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As of June 30, (in thousands)	2001
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ASSETS	
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:	
Utility plant	\$ 6,146,055
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(3,272,045)
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Net Utility Plant	2,874,010
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OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS	5,151
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CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	21,253
Accounts receivable - less reserve	264,512
Gas cost adjustment clause	14,441
Material and supplies, at average cost	45,666
Electric production fuel, at average cost	33,160
Natural gas in storage, at last in, first-out cost	66,326
Price risk management asset	81,079
Prepayments and other	44,862
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Total Current Assets	571,299
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OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory assets	179,127
Deferred charges and other	223,255
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Total Other Assets	402,382
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 3,852,842
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EXHIBIT #4

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As of June 30, (in thousands)	2001
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CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	
CAPITALIZATION:	
Common shareholder's equity	\$1,004,323
Preferred Stocks -	
Series without mandatory redemption provisions	81,114
Series with mandatory redemption provisions	48,824
Long-term debt, excluding amount due within one year	863,919
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Total Capitalization	1,998,180
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CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Current portion of long-term debt	57,278
Short term borrowings	343,175
Accounts payable	349,604
Dividends declared on common and preferred stock	845
Customer deposits	30,047
Taxes accrued	53,917
Interest accrued	7,988
Fuel adjustment clause	3,279
Accrued employment costs	49,151
Price risk management liabilities	90,428
Other accruals	27,251
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Total current liabilities	1,012,963

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OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	520,709
Deferred investment tax credits	74,936
Deferred credits	38,999
Accrued liability for post retirement benefits	155,154
Other noncurrent liabilities	51,901
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Total other	841,699
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$3,852,842
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EXHIBIT #5

BAY STATE GAS COMPANY  
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ASSETS	
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:	
Utility plant	\$ 1,129,733
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(250,894)
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Net Utility Plant	878,839
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OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS	111,476
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CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	4,978
Accounts receivable - less reserve	75,558
Gas cost adjustment clause	21,112
Material and supplies, at average cost	4,376
Natural gas in storage - weighted average	22,372
Prepayments and other	3,604
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Total Current Assets	132,000
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OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory assets	7,376
Intangible assets	2,444
Deferred charges and other	39,533
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Total Other Assets	49,353
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,171,668
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CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES

CAPITALIZATION:	
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 541,301
Long-term debt excluding amount due within one year	168,500

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Total Capitalization	709,801
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CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Short term borrowings	116,760
Accounts payable	27,173
Customer deposits	2,763
Taxes accrued	15,750
Interest accrued	3,851
Refunds due customers within one year	4,900
Other accruals	40,461
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Total current liabilities	211,658
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OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	238,658
Deferred investment tax credits	3,174
Other noncurrent liabilities	8,377
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Total other	250,209
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 1,171,668
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EXHIBIT #6

NORTHERN UTILITIES, INC.  
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As of June 30, (in thousands)	2001
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ASSETS	
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:	
Utility plant	\$ 248,857
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(46,630)
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Net Utility Plant	202,227
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OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS	2,775
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CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	2,616
Accounts receivable - less reserve	23,493
Gas cost adjustment clause	10,226
Material and supplies, at average cost	998
Natural gas in storage, weighted average	13,009
Prepayments and other	3,111
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Total Current Assets	53,453
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OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory assets	7,624
Intangible assets	1,102

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Deferred charges and other	3,427
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Total Other Assets	12,153
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 270,608
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CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	
CAPITALIZATION:	
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 111,164
Long-term debt excluding amount due within one year	20,500
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Total Capitalization	131,664
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CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Short term borrowings	60,833
Accounts payable	7,947
Customer deposits	649
Taxes accrued	3,961
Interest accrued	1,171
Price risk management liabilities	510
Refunds due customers within one year	835
Other accruals	11,033
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Total current liabilities	86,939
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OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	47,909
Deferred investment tax credits	301
Other non-current liabilities	3,795
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Total other	52,005
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 270,608
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EXHIBIT #7

KOKOMO GAS AND FUEL COMPANY  
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As of June 30, (in thousands)	2001
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ASSETS	
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:	
Utility plant	\$ 77,640
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(36,087)
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Net Utility Plant	41,553
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OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS	5
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CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	2,080
Accounts receivable - less reserve	2,903
Gas cost adjustment clause	5,158
Material and supplies, at average cost	484
Natural gas in storage - weighted average	706
Prepayments and other	16
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Total Current Assets	11,347
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OTHER ASSETS:	
Deferred charges and other	56
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Total Other Assets	56
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 52,961
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CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	
CAPITALIZATION:	
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 35,411
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Total Capitalization	35,411
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CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Short term borrowings	6,400
Accounts payable	2,752
Customer deposits	480
Interest accrued	124
Other accruals	987
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Total current liabilities	10,743
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OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	3,369
Deferred investment tax credits	519
Post retirement benefits accrued	332
Regulatory income tax liability	1,477
Other non-current liabilities	1,110
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Total other	6,807
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 52,961
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EXHIBIT #8

NORTHERN INDIANA FUEL AND LIGHT COMPANY  
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ASSETS	
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:	
Utility plant	\$ 70,696
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(24,338)
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Net Utility Plant	46,358
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OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS	936
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CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	213
Accounts receivable - less reserve	3,482
Gas adjustment clause	6,571
Material and supplies, at average cost	418
Natural gas in storage - weighted average	3,851
Prepayments and other	55
-----	
Total Current Assets	14,590
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OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory assets	145
Deferred charges and other	165
-----	
Total Other Assets	310
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TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 62,194
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CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	
CAPITALIZATION:	
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 44,848
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Total Capitalization	44,848
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CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Notes payable to associated companies	500
Accounts payable	2,464
Customer deposits	150
Taxes accrued	1,616
Other accruals	1,902
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Total current liabilities	6,632
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OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	4,735
Deferred investment tax credits	345
Deferred credits	3,509
Regulatory income tax liability	2,125
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Total other	10,714
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$ 62,194
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