

ODONNELL MICHAEL W
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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 *
 O'DONNELL MICHAEL 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)
 02/18/2009

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)
 Executive Vice President

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)
			Code V	Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/18/2009	02/18/2009	G V	40,000 (2)	D \$ 0	150,059	D
Common Stock						7,209.7125	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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 25.94					01/01/2002	01/01/2011	Common Stock	25,472
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 21.005					01/25/2003	01/25/2012	Common Stock	30,822
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 19.84					01/01/2004	01/01/2013	Common Stock	73,009
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 21.86					01/01/2005	01/01/2014	Common Stock	69,135
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 22.62					01/03/2006	01/03/2015	Common Stock	169,714
Phantom Stock	\$ 0					<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	145,448.018

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ODONNELL MICHAEL W 801 E 86TH AVENUE MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410-6272			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

Gary W. Pottorff, attorney-in-fact for Michael W.
O'Donnell

02/20/2009

__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 phantom stock units represent dividend equivalents and are to be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.
- (2) This transaction involves a gift of securities to the reporting person's family members in conjunction with financial planning purposes.

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