

SKAGGS ROBERT C JR
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FORM 4

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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 *
 SKAGGS ROBERT C JR

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)
 01/06/2005

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

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) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 74,185 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 8,255.9306 | 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title |
| Phantom Stock | \$ 0 | 01/06/2005 | | A | 1,077.602 | 08/08/1988 ⁽¹⁾ 08/08/1988 ⁽¹⁾ | Common Stock |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 19.84 | | | | | 01/01/2003 01/01/2013 | Common Stock |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 21.005 | | | | | 01/25/2002 01/25/2012 | Common Stock |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 21.86 | | | | | 01/01/2005 01/01/2014 | Common Stock |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 22.62 | | | | | 01/03/2006 01/03/2015 | Common Stock |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 25.94 | | | | | 01/01/2001 01/01/2011 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| SKAGGS ROBERT C JR 801 E 86TH AVENUE MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410-6272 | | | President | |

Signatures

Gary W. Pottorff, Power of Attorney
01/07/2005
**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) Phantom Stock is payable in cash upon termination of employment

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