

NISOURCE INC/DE  
Form 8-K  
January 27, 2012

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant To Section 13 OR 15(d) of The

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): January 27, 2012

**NiSource Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 001-16189

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**35-2108964**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**801 East 86th Avenue**

**Merrillville, Indiana**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**46410**  
(Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code (877) 647-5990**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions.

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4 (c))

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers.**

On January 27, 2012, Steven C. Beering, who currently serves as a Director of NiSource Inc. (the Company ), advised the Board of Directors of his intention to retire from the Board of Directors upon expiration of his current term at the 2012 Annual Stockholders Meeting.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: January 27, 2012

By:

NiSource Inc.  
(Registrant)  
  
/s/ Robert E. Smith  
Robert E. Smith  
Vice President and Assistant Corporate Secretary