

NISOURCE INC/DE  
Form 8-K  
December 05, 2008

**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): December 1, 2008**

**NiSource Inc.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Commission file number 001-16189

Delaware

35-2108964

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

801 East 86th Avenue  
Merrillville, Indiana

46410

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

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

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4 (c))
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ITEM 8.01. OTHER EVENTS

On December 1, 2008, NiSource Inc. ( NiSource ) completed the previously announced sale of Northern Utilities, Inc. and Granite State Gas Transmission, Inc. to Unitil Corporation for a total purchase price of approximately \$200 million.

A copy of NiSource s press release in connection with this transaction is attached to this Report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference to this Item 8.01.

ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit

Number Description

99.1 Press Release, dated December 1, 2008.

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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.

NiSource Inc.  
(Registrant)

Date: December 5, 2008

By: /s/ Jeffrey W. Grossman  
Name: Jeffrey W. Grossman  
Title: Vice President and Controller