SKAGGS ROBERT C JR

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad SKAGGS RO	•	_	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Lost)	(Finat)	(Middle)	NISOURCE INC/DE [NI]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	W 51		
801 E 86TH AVENUE			(Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2012	_X_ Director 10% Owne _X_ Officer (give title Other (spectobelow) President & CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
MERRILLV	ILLE, IN 46	5410-6272	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Own		

(City)	(State)	Table Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiti on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	03/05/2012		M	27,287	A	\$ 23.68	947,145	D	
Common Stock							19,339.894	I	401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu or D	rities nired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercise Expiration Date (Month/Day/Y	te	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 19.84	03/05/2012		M		27,287	01/01/2004	12/31/2012	Common Stock	27,28
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 21.86						01/01/2005	01/01/2014	Common Stock	48,88
Non Qualified Stock Options	\$ 22.62						01/03/2006	01/03/2015	Common Stock	171,4
Phantom Stock	\$ 0						<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Stock	149,081

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

Gary W. Pottorff, attorney-in-fact for Robert C. Skaggs, Jr. 03/06/2012

**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 following the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

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