

NISOURCE INC/DE  
Form 8-K  
December 04, 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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- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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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.**

In late November of 2008, an arrangement was reached to release Northern Indiana Public Service Company ( NIPSCO ), a wholly-owned subsidiary of NiSource Inc., from its contractual commitment binding NIPSCO s Sugar Creek power plant to provide capacity to PJM Interconnection s Reliability Pricing Model market. Effective December 1, 2008, Sugar Creek was accepted as an internal designated network resource within the Midwest Independent Transmission System Operator.

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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 4, 2008

By: /s/ Robert E. Smith

Robert E. Smith  
Assistant Corporate Secretary