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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * NEALE GARY L | | | 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) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | () | | |
| 801 E 86TH A | E 86TH AVENUE | | (Month/Day/Year) 01/10/2005 | _X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO | | |
| | (Street) | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| MERRILLVIL | LE, IN 464 | 10-6272 | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tak | ole I - Non- | -Derivativ | e Sec | urities Ac | quired, Disposed of, | or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|--------------|---|-------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | nsaction Date 2A. Deemed h/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transactior(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price | | | 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 | 01/10/2005 | | S | 4,000 | D | \$ 22.05 | 1,174,933.3398 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | | | 12,263.6229 | I | 401(k) Plan |

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

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

| 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. I De Sec (In |
|---|---|---|---|--|--|-------------------------------------|--------------------|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 16.22 | | | | | 11/01/2000 | 08/22/2005 | Common Stock | 40,000 | |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 18.44 | | | | | 01/31/2001 | 01/31/2010 | Common Stock | 125,000 | |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 18.91 | | | | | 11/01/2000 | 08/27/2006 | Common Stock | 50,000 | |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 19.84 | | | | | 01/01/2004 | 01/01/2013 | Common Stock | 373,157 | |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 20.64 | | | | | 11/01/2000 | 08/26/2007 | Common Stock | 50,000 | |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 21.005 | | | | | 01/25/2003 | 01/25/2012 | Common Stock | 194,064 | |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 21.86 | | | | | 01/01/2005 | 01/01/2014 | Common Stock | 353,352 | |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 22.22 | | | | | 08/22/2001 | 08/22/2010 | Common Stock | 125,000 | |

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| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 22.62 | 01/03/2006 | 01/03/2015 | Common Stock | 600,000 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|------------|------------|-----------------|---------|
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 24.59 | 11/01/2000 | 08/24/2009 | Common Stock | 50,000 |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 25.94 | 01/01/2002 | 01/01/2011 | Common Stock | 160,377 |
| Non Qualified Stock Options | \$ 29.22 | 11/01/2000 | 08/25/2008 | Common Stock | 50,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| NEALE GARY L | | | | | | | |
| 801 E 86TH AVENUE | X | | Chairman and CEO | | | | |
| MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410-6272 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

Gary W. Pottorff, Power of
Attorney

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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).

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