

NISOURCE INC/DE  
Form 8-K  
March 25, 2011

**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): March 22, 2011**

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

On March 22, 2011, the Board of Directors of NiSource Inc. (the Company ) approved a slate of nominees to stand for election as Director at the 2011 Annual Stockholders Meeting scheduled for May 10, 2011. The nominated slate of directors does not include Dennis E. Foster, who is currently serving as Director, due to his intention to retire from the Board of Directors at the conclusion of his current term. Mr. Foster currently serves as a member of the Company s Corporate Governance Committee and Finance Committee and is Chairperson of the Company s Audit Committee.

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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: March 25, 2011

By: /s/ Robert E. Smith  
Robert E. Smith  
Vice President and Assistant Corporate  
Secretary