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Securities and Exchange Commission Judiciary Plaza 450 Fifth Street, NW Washington, DC 20549

INTERIM REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE
PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935
NISOURCE INC.
801 E. 86TH AVE.
MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410

FILE NO. 70-9681 AND 70-9945

Gentlemen:

In compliance with the terms and conditions of Rule 24 under the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, and (i) the Orders of the Commission dated November 1, 2000 and March 21, 2001 in File No. 70-9681, and (ii) the Orders of the Commission dated December 19, 2001, June 6, 2002 and August 8, 2002 in File No. 70-9945, authorizing the financing transactions and business activities as more fully described in the Joint Applications/Declarations, as amended, in those proceedings, the undersigned hereby certifies to the Commission that, during the quarter ended September 30, 2002:

 The sales of any common stock and the purchase price per share and the market price per share at the date of the agreement of sale

None

2. The total number of shares of common stock issued or issuable under options granted during the quarter under NiSource Inc.'s benefit plans or otherwise

113,117 shares

3. If common stock has been transferred to a seller of securities of a company being acquired, the number of shares so issued, the value per share and whether the shares are restricted to the acquirer

None

4. The amount and terms of any long-term debt, preferred stock or other preferred or equity-linked securities, or short-term debt, issued directly or indirectly by NiSource during the quarter

Please see Exhibit 1

5. The amount and terms of any short-term debt issued directly or indirectly by any utility subsidiary during the quarter

Please see Exhibit 2

6. The amount and terms of any financing consummated by any non-utility subsidiary during the quarter that are not exempt under rule 52

At the end of the calendar quarter, the amount of inter-company short-term debt outstanding was \$300,757,000 for Columbia Energy Group subsidiaries.

7. The name of the guarantor and of the beneficiary of any NiSource guarantee or non-utility subsidiary guarantee issued during the quarter, and the amount, terms and purpose of the guarantee

Please see Exhibit 3

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8. The notional amount and principal terms of any interest rate hedge or anticipatory hedge entered into during the quarter and the identity of the parties to such instruments

On September 3, 2002 Columbia Energy Group entered into a \$281.5 million fixed to floating rate swap.

9. The name, parent company, and amount invested in any new intermediate subsidiary or financing subsidiary during the quarter

None

10. A list of Form U-6B-2 statements filed with the commission during the quarter, including the name of the filing entity and the date of the filing

Columbia Energy Group Filed 7/26/02

11. Consolidated balance sheets as of the end of the quarter, and separate balance sheets as of the end of the quarter for each company, including NiSource, that has engaged in financing transactions during the quarter

Please see the attached Exhibits 4 through 14 for balance sheets for NiSource, Northern Indiana Public Service Company, Bay State Gas Company, Northern Utilities, Kokomo Gas and Fuel, Northern Indiana Fuel and Light, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Columbia Gas of Ohio, Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania Columbia Gas of Virginia and Columbia Gas of Maryland.

12. The maximum outstanding amount of all borrowings under or investments in the Money Pool by each Money Pool participant during the quarter, and the rate or range of rates charged on Money Pool investments during the quarter.

Please see Exhibit 15

13. The number of shares of common stock issued by Columbia Maryland to Columbia during the quarter and the price per share paid.

None

14. The principal amount, interest rate and maturity of any long-term debt security issued by Columbia Maryland to Columbia during the quarter.

None

Very truly yours,

NiSource Inc.

By: /s/ J. W. Grossman

J. W. Grossman, Vice President

and Controller

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EXHIBIT #1

NISOURCE INC. QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #4

COMPANY	AMOUNT ISSUED DURING THIRD QUARTER OF 2002	AMOUNT OUTSTANDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2002	TYPE OF DEBT OR SECURITY	TERMS
NiSource Finance Corp.		121,500,000	Short-term Debt	Commercial p
NiSource Finance Corp.	247,703,000	1,100,000,000	Short-term Debt	Credit facil average inte
NiSource Finance Corp.		5,792,900,000	Long-term Debt	Various matu interest rat

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EXHIBIT #2

NISOURCE INC. QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #5

LENDING COMPANY	BORROWING SUBSIDIARY	INTER-COMPANY DEBT OUTSTANDING AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2002	WEIGHTED AVE INTEREST R
NiSource Finance Corp.	Bay State Gas Company	51,858,000	2.58%

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EXHIBIT #3

NISOURCE INC. QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM # 7

GUARANTEES ISSUED

GUARANTOR SUBSIDIARY DURING 3RD QUARTER 2002 PURPOSE

* NiSource issued no guarantees during the third quarter of 2002

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EXHIBIT #4

NISOURCE INC. QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002
ASSETS	
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:	
Utility plant	\$ 16,386,133
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(7,920,873)
Net Utility Plant	8,465,260
Gas and oil producing properties, successful efforts method	
United States cost center	1,061,617
Canadian cost center	5 , 726
Accumulated depletion	(114,983)
Net gas and oil producing properties	952,360
Other property, at cost, less accumulated depreciation	668,203
Net Property, Plant and Equipment	10,085,823

INVESTMENTS:	
Unconsolidated affiliates	119,903
Assets held for sale	6,300
Other investments	54,814
Total Investments	181,017
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	64,914
Accounts receivable - less reserve	478,689
Gas inventory	407,843
Underrecovered gas and fuel costs	174,503
Material and supplies, at average cost	70,234
Electric production fuel, at average cost	29,057
Price risk management asset	54 , 976
Exchange gas receivable	144,715
Prepayments and other	205,907
Total Current Assets	1,630,838
OTHER ASSETS:	
Price risk asset long term	111,739
Regulatory assets	601,900
Intangible assets	3,724,938
Deferred charges and other	290,817
Total Other Assets	4,729,394
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 16,627,072

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EXHIBIT #4

NISOURCE INC. QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	
CAPITALIZATION:	
Common Stock Equity	\$ 3,342,967
Preferred Stocks -	
Subsidiary Companies	
Series without mandatory redemption provisions	81,114
Series with mandatory redemption provisions	4,369
Company - obligated mandatorily redeemable preferred securities	
of subsidiary trust holding solely Company debentures	345,000
Long-term debt, excluding amounts due within one year	5,792,921
Total Capitalization	9,566,371

CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Current redeemable preferred stock subject to mandatory redemption	43,000
Current portion of long-term debt	766,368
Short-term borrowings	1,258,920
Accounts payable	331,865
Dividends declared on common and preferred stocks	61,988
Customer deposits	59,069
Taxes accrued	131,253
Interest accrued	185,908
Overrecovered gas and fuel costs	24,173
Price risk management liabilities	38,958
Exchange gas payable	410,894
Current deferred revenue	126,192
Other accruals	560,467
Total current liabilities	3,999,055
OTHER:	
Price risk management liabilities	4,358
Deferred income taxes	1,817,013
Deferred investment tax credits	98 , 535
Deferred credits	247,280
Non-current deferred revenue	338 , 292
Accrued liability for post retirement benefits	390 , 506
Other non-current liabilities	165,662
Total other	3,061,646
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	\$16,627,072

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EXHIBIT #5

NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY
QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE
PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935
FILE NO. 70-9681
ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002
ASSETS PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT: Utility plant Accumulated depreciation and amortization	\$ 6,350,673 (3,513,964)
Net Utility Plant	2,836,709
OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS	8,736
CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents	8,152

Accounts receivable - less reserve Gas cost adjustment clause Material and supplies, at average cost Electric production fuel, at average cost Natural gas in storage, at last in, first-out cost Price risk management assets Prepayments and other	93,196 34,699 45,192 29,057 33,491 3,383 53,948
Total Current Assets	301,118
OTHER ASSETS: Regulatory assets Deferred charges and other	226,741 44,915
Total Other Assets	271 , 656
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 3,418,219

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EXHIBIT #5

NORTHERN INDIANA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	
CAPITALIZATION:	
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 862 , 364
Preferred Stocks -	
Series without mandatory redemption provisions	81,114
Series with mandatory redemption provisions	4,369
Long-term debt, excluding amount due within one year	719 , 281
Total Capitalization	1,667,128
Current Liabilities:	
Current redeemable preferred stock subject to mandatory redemption	43,000
Current portion of long-term debt	128,500
Short-term borrowings	176,109
Accounts payable	140,423
Dividends declared on common and preferred stock	45 , 735
Customer deposits	35 , 998
Taxes accrued	197 , 777
Interest accrued	13,167
Accrued employment costs	39 , 116
Price risk management liabilities	4,111
Other accruals	66,751
Total current liabilities	890 , 687

OTHER:

492 , 971
66,086
44,280
249,324
4,862
2,881
860,404
\$3,418,219

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EXHIBIT #6

BAY STATE GAS COMPANY QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002
ASSETS PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT: Utility plant Accumulated depreciation and amortization	\$ 1,409,596 (336,619)
Net Utility Plant	1,072,977
Other property and investments	2,384
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	1,273
Accounts receivable - less reserve	31,646
Gas cost adjustment clause	33,417
Material and supplies, at average cost	8,584
Natural gas in storage - weighted average Prepayments and other	44,005 8,258
Total Current Assets	127,183
OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory assets	19 , 578
Intangible assets	865
Deferred charges and other	24,029
Total Other Assets	44,472
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 1,247,016

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EXHIBIT #6

BAY STATE GAS COMPANY QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)		2002
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES CAPITALIZATION: Common shareholder's equity	\$	513,129
Long-term debt excluding amt due within one year		86,333
Total Capitalization		599 , 462
CURRENT LIABILITIES: Short-term borrowings Accounts payable Notes payable to associated companies Customer deposits Interest accrued Refunds due customers within one year Other accruals Total current liabilities		81,254 166,944 61,169 3,754 2,791 2,003 20,679
OTHER: Deferred income taxes Deferred investment tax credits Other noncurrent liabilities		289,315 2,976 16,669
Total other		308 , 960
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	 \$1	,247,016

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EXHIBIT #7

NORTHERN UTILITIES, INC.
QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE
PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935
FILE NO. 70-9681
ITEM #11

ASSETS	
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT: Utility plant	\$ 255 , 947
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(54,583)
Net Utility Plant	201,364
Other property and investments	
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	93
Accounts receivable - less reserve	9,908
Gas cost adjustment clause	7,884
Material and supplies, at average cost	737
Natural gas in storage, weighted average Prepayments and other	16,299 3,351
Total Current Assets	 38,272
 OTHER ASSETS:	,
Regulatory assets	13,723
Intangible assets	865
Deferred charges and other	4,438
Total Other Assets	19,026
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 260 , 940
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	
CAPITALIZATION:	
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 110,504 5,833
Long-term debt excluding amt due within one year	
Total Capitalization	116,337
CURRENT LIABILITIES: Short-term borrowings	10,548
Accounts payable	6,969
Notes payable to associated companies	61,169
Customer deposits	818
Taxes accrued	1,134
Interest accrued	221
Refunds due customers within one year	1,691
Other accruals	5 , 768
Total current liabilities	88,318
OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	50,472
Deferred investment tax credits	270 5,543
Other non-current liabilities	
Other non-current liabilities Total other	56 , 285

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EXHIBIT #8

KOKOMO GAS AND FUEL COMPANY QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002
ASSETS	
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:	
Utility plant	\$ 79,296
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(38,532)
Net Utility Plant	40,764
OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS	5
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	744
Accounts receivable - less reserve	3,343
Gas cost adjustment clause	943
Material and supplies, at average cost	384
Natural gas in storage - weighted average	809
Prepayments and other	46
Total Current Assets	6,269
OTHER ASSETS:	
Deferred charges and other	739
Total Other Assets	739
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 47 , 777
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	
CAPITALIZATION:	A 24 177
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 34 , 177
Total Capitalization	34,177
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Accounts payable	1,501
Customer deposits	455
Taxes accrued	528
Interest accrued	138
Other accruals	3 , 296
Total current liabilities	5,918

OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	4,168
Deferred investment tax credits	474
Post retirement benefits accrued	444
Regulatory liabilities	1,477
Other non-current liabilities	1,119
Total other	7 , 682
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	\$ 47 , 777

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EXHIBIT #9

NORTHERN INDIANA FUEL AND LIGHT COMPANY QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002
ASSETS PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT: Utility plant Accumulated depreciation and amortization	\$ 73,557 (26,485)
Net Utility Plant	47 , 072
OTHER PROPERTY AND INVESTMENTS	599
CURRENT ASSETS: Cash and cash equivalents Accounts receivable - less reserve Gas adjustment clause Material and supplies, at average cost Natural gas in storage - weighted average Prepayments and other	260 5,761 4,494 383 4,109 66
Total Current Assets	15 , 073
OTHER ASSETS: Regulatory assets Deferred charges and other	117 1,260
Total Other Assets	1,377
Total Assets	\$ 64 , 121

CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES CAPITALIZATION:

CAPITALIZATION: Common shareholder's equity	\$ 44,496
Total Capitalization	44,496
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Accounts payable	2,607
Customer deposits	349
Taxes accrued	1,313
Other accruals	3,742
Total current liabilities	8,011
OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	4,640
Deferred investment tax credits	302
Deferred credits	4,583
Other non-current liabilities	2,089
Total other	11,614
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	\$ 64,121

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EXHIBIT #10

COLUMBIA GAS OF KENTUCKY QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002
ASSETS	
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT: Utility plant	\$ 229,533
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(103, 452)
Net Utility Plant	126,081
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	619
Accounts receivable - less reserve	28,351
Gas adjustment clause	6,931
Exchange gas receivable	13,778
Natural gas in storage - weighted average	5,646
Prepayments and other	1,642
Total Current Assets	56 , 967

OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory assets	5,598
Deferred charges and other	2 , 908
Total Other Assets	8,506
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 191,554
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES CAPITALIZATION:	
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 70 , 897
Long-term debt excluding amt due within one year	42,188
Total Capitalization	113,085
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Short-term borrowings	28
Accounts payable	8,443
Notes payable to associated companies	5,805
Customer deposits	2,264
Taxes accrued Interest accrued	3,918 683
Deferred income taxes	5 , 250
Exchange gas payable	24,231
Other accruals	9,545
Total current liabilities	60,167
OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	11,197
Deferred investment tax credits	1,328
Regulatory liabilities	3,861
Other non-current liabilities	1,916
Total other	18,302
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	\$ 191,554

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EXHIBIT #11

COLUMBIA GAS OF OHIO QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30,	(in thousands)	2002

ASSETS PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:

Utility plant	\$1,529,617
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(666,199)
Net Utility Plant	863,418
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	4,198
Accounts receivable - less reserve	70,830
Gas adjustment clause	33,136
Exchange gas receivable	37,075
Natural gas in storage - weighted average	206,930
Prepayments and other	45,177
Total Current Assets	397,346
OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory assets	200,089
Deferred charges and other	73,493
Total Other Assets	273,582
TOTAL ASSETS	\$1,534,346
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	
CAPITALIZATION:	
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 414,511
Long-term debt excluding amt due within one year	307,103
Total Capitalization	721,614
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Short-term borrowings	168
Accounts payable	159 , 823
Customer deposits	9,153
Taxes accrued	41,368
Interest accrued	2,428
Deferred income taxes	51 , 362
Exchange gas payable Estimated rate refund	197 , 019 50
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Other accruals	98,091
Other accruals Total current liabilities	98,091 559,462
Total current liabilities	559,462
Total current liabilities	559,462
Total current liabilities	126,842 15,942
Total current liabilities	126,842 15,942 8,994
Total current liabilities OTHER: Deferred income taxes Deferred investment tax credits Regulatory liabilities	126,842 15,942
Total current liabilities OTHER: Deferred income taxes Deferred investment tax credits Regulatory liabilities Accrued liability for post retirement benefits	126,842 15,942 8,994 53,723

EXHIBIT #12

COLUMBIA GAS OF PENNSYLVANIA QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002
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ASSETS PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:	
Utility plant	\$ 656,598
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(221,728
Net Utility Plant	434,870
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	1,573
Accounts receivable - less reserve	28,532
Gas adjustment clause	60,882
Exchange gas receivable	18,563
Natural gas in storage - weighted average	75 , 293
Prepayments and other	12,621
Total Current Assets	197,464
OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory assets	68,462
Deferred charges and other	5 , 680
Total Other Assets	74,142
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 706 , 476
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	
CAPITALIZATION: Common shareholder's equity	\$ 201,678
Long-term debt excluding amt due within one year	185,215
Total Capitalization	386,893
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Accounts payable	44,360
Notes payable to associated companies	17,843
Customer deposits	2,061
Taxes accrued	21,196
Deferred income taxes	2,169
Exchange gas payable Other accruals	51,994 48,023
	 187,646

Deferred income taxes	92 , 775
Deferred investment tax credits	7,596
Regulatory liabilities	7,120
Accrued liability for post retirement benefits	13,422
Other non-current liabilities	11,024
	121 027
Total other	131,937
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	\$ 706,476

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EXHIBIT #13

COLUMBIA GAS OF VIRGINIA QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002	
ASSETS		
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:		
Utility plant	\$ 494,130	
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(119,091)	
Net Utility Plant	375,039	
CURRENT ASSETS:		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,055	
Accounts receivable - less reserve	18,578	
Exchange gas receivable	995	
Material and supplies, at average cost	544	
Natural gas in storage - weighted average	19,535	
Prepayments and other	15,389	
Total Current Assets	56,096	
OTHER ASSETS:		
Regulatory assets	7,825	
Deferred charges and other	9,029	
Total Other Assets	16,854	
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 447,989	
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES		
CAPITALIZATION:		
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 157 , 297	
Long-term debt excluding amt due within one year	130,175	

Total Capitalization	287,472
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Accounts payable	17,049
Notes payable to associated companies	12,835
Customer deposits	4,527
Taxes accrued	12,013
Gas adjustment clause	22,798
Exchange gas payable	4,582
Other accruals	17,565
Total current liabilities	91,369
OTHER:	
Deferred income taxes	29,154
Deferred investment tax credits	2,111
Regulatory liabilities	1,348
Accrued liability for post retirement benefits	6,065
Other non-current liabilities	30,470
Total other	69,148
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	\$ 447 , 989

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EXHIBIT #14

COLUMBIA GAS OF MARYLAND QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO. 70-9681 ITEM #11

As of September 30, (in thousands)	2002
ASSETS	
PROPERTY, PLANT, AND EQUIPMENT:	
Utility plant	\$ 83,822
Accumulated depreciation and amortization	(35,524)
Net Utility Plant	48,298
CURRENT ASSETS:	
Cash and cash equivalents	129
Accounts receivable - less reserve	12,618
Exchange gas receivable	4,116
Material and supplies, at average cost	99
Natural gas in storage - weighted average	5,040
Prepayments and other	2,950
Total Current Assets	24,952

OTHER ASSETS:	
Regulatory assets	2,053
Deferred charges and other	740
Total Other Assets	2,793
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 76,043
CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES CAPITALIZATION:	
Common shareholder's equity	\$ 26,999
Long-term debt excluding amt due within one year	18,975
Total Capitalization	45 , 974
CURRENT LIABILITIES:	
Accounts payable	3,907
Notes payable to associated companies	2,495
Customer deposits	345
Taxes accrued	2,673
Gas adjustment clause	1,375
Exchange gas payable Other accruals	5,688 4,213
Total current liabilities	
	20,696
OTHER:	F 121
Deferred income taxes Deferred investment tax credits	5 , 131
Regulatory liabilities	492
Accrued liability for post retirement benefits	1,631
Other non-current liabilities	1,357
Total other	9,373
TOTAL CAPITALIZATION AND LIABILITIES	\$ 76 , 043

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EXHIBIT #15

NISOURCE INC. QUARTERLY REPORT UNDER RULE 24 OF THE PUBLIC UTILITY HOLDING COMPANY ACT OF 1935 FILE NO.70-9945 ITEM #12

THIRD QUARTER OF 2002 THIRD QUARTER OF 20

MAXIMUM AMOUNT MAXIMUM AMOUNT OUTSTANDING DURING INVESTED DURING

SUBSIDIARY

	27 / 7	072
Alamco-Haug Hauling	N/A	973
Bay State Gas Company	148,681	0
Columbia Assurance Agency, Inc.	N/A	11
Columbia Accounts Receivable Corporation	N/A	9,558
Columbia Atlantic Trading Corporation	0	5,110
CNR Canada, Ltd.	4,962	100
Columbia Energy Group Capital Corporation	N/A 878	108
Columbia Deep Water Services Company		•
Columbia Electric Corporation	N/A	6,246
Columbia Energy Resources, Inc.	N/A	2,352
Columbia Energy Services Corporation	12,990	0
Columbia Finance Corporation	N/A	0
Columbia Energy Group	N/A	336,939
Columbia Gulf Transmission Company	23,406	0
Columbia Gas of Virginia, Inc.	1,843	28,333
Columbia Insurance Corporation, Ltd.	N/A	104
Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc.	0	30,528
Columbia LNG Corporation	N/A	0
Columbia Gas of Maryland, Inc.	0	17,040
CNS Microwave, Inc.	N/A	1,521
Columbia Natural Resources, Inc.	30,523	0
Columbia Network Services Corporation	N/A	3,155
Columbia Gas of Ohio, Inc.	158,547	3,493
Columbia Gas of Pennsylvania, Inc.	20,311	19,037
Columbia Propane Corporation	9,788	0
CP Holdings, Inc.	N/A	117
Columbia Pipeline Corporation	N/A	34
Columbia Energy Power Marketing Corporation	0	0
Columbia Remainder Corporation	0	0
Crossroads Pipeline	32,310	0
NiSource Corporate Services Company	94,444	0
Columbia Service Partners, Inc.	N/A	13,236
Columbia Transmission Communications Corporation	N/A	2,215
NiSource Development Company, Inc.	199,012	0
EnergyUSA, Inc.	38 , 672	0
EnergyUSA, Inc. (MA)	4,776	0
Kokomo Gas and Fuel Company	0	4,089
NiSource Capital Markets. Inc.	N/A	3,107
NI Energy Services, Inc.	47,936	0
NiSource Energy Technologies, Inc.	21,607	0
NiSource Finance Corp.	N/A	631,648
NiSource Inc.	N/A	49 , 527
Northern Indiana Fuel and Light Company, Inc.	0	8,264
Northern Indiana Public Service Company	182 , 874	0
NiSource Pipeline Group, Inc.	15,483	0
Northern Utilities, Inc.	0	7,008
Columbia Petroleum Corporation	N/A	0
Columbia Propane, L.P.	N/A	2,093
Primary Energy, Inc.	49,909	18,546
Columbia Gas Transmission Corporation	74,921	18,192
EnergyUSA-TPC Corp.	50,883	0