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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM U-9C-3

QUARTERLY REPORT

FOR THE QUARTER ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002

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This report is being submitted as a combined filing for NiSource Inc. and
Columbia Energy Group.

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ITEM 1. ORGANIZATION CHART

| NAME OF REPORTING COMPANY ----- | ENERGY OR GAS-RELATED COMPANY ----- | DATE OF ORGANIZATION ----- | STATE OF ORGANIZATION ----- |
|---|--|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Columbia Deep Water Services Company (Deep Water) | Gas-related | 01/07/98 | Delaware |
| Columbia Pipeline Corp. (CPC)* | Gas-related | 10/30/98 | Delaware |
| Granite State Gas Transmission | Gas-related | 10/24/55 | New Hampshire |
| EnergyUSA-TPC Corporation | Energy-related | 08/10/00 | Delaware |
| KGF Trading Company | Energy-related | 07/31/92 | Indiana |
| NiSource Pipeline Group, Inc.* | Gas-related | 05/24/99 | Indiana |
| Crossroads Pipeline Company | Gas-related | 04/05/93 | Indiana |
| NI Energy Services Transportation, Inc. | Gas-related | 06/18/98 | Indiana |
| NI-TEX Gas Services, Inc. | Gas-related | 03/30/87 | Delaware |
| NI-TEX, Inc. | Gas-related | 08/26/88 | Indiana |
| NiSource Energy Technologies, Inc. | Energy-related | 10/27/00 | Indiana |
| EnergyUSA Appalachian Corporation | Energy-related | 02/19/01 | Indiana |
| NESI Power Marketing, Inc. | Energy-related | 07/18/96 | Indiana |
| SunPower Corporation | Energy-related | 04/24/85 | California |
| NewPower Holdings | Energy-related | 06/29/00 | Delaware |
| Acumentrics Corporation | Energy-related | 08/18/94 | Massachusetts |

| NAME OF REPORTING COMPANY ----- | NATURE OF BUSINESS ----- |
|---|--|
| Columbia Deep Water Services Company (Deep Water) | Non-FERC jurisdictional gas pipeline development |
| Columbia Pipeline Corp. (CPC)* | Holding company for (non-FERC jurisdictional) pipeline companies |
| Granite State Gas Transmission | Interstate pipeline |
| EnergyUSA-TPC Corporation | Gas marketing |
| KGF Trading Company | Marketing company |
| NiSource Pipeline Group, Inc.* | Holding company |
| Crossroads Pipeline Company | Interstate gas pipeline |
| NI Energy Services Transportation, Inc. | Interstate gas pipeline |
| NI-TEX Gas Services, Inc. | Gas storage |
| NI-TEX, Inc. | Intrastate gas pipeline |
| NiSource Energy Technologies, Inc. | Development of fuel cell technology |
| EnergyUSA Appalachian Corporation | Gas Marketing |
| NESI Power Marketing, Inc. | Gas Marketing |
| SunPower Corporation | Development of energy technologies |

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NewPower Holdings
Acumentrics Corporation

Gas Marketing
Developer of Solid Oxide Fuel Cells

* Columbia Pipeline Corp. and NiSource Pipeline Group, Inc. were dissolved on November 12 and November 15, 2002, respectively.

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ITEM 2. ISSUANCES AND RENEWALS OF SECURITIES AND CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS

SECURITIES:

| Company Issuing Security | Type of Security Issued | Principal Amount of Security | Issue or Renewal | Cost of Capital | Person to Whom Security was Issued | Collateral Given with Security | Consideration Received Each Sec |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|

None

CAPITAL CONTRIBUTIONS:

| Company Contributing Capital | Company Receiving Capital | Amount of Capital Contribution |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|
|------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------|

None

ITEM 3. ASSOCIATE TRANSACTIONS

PART I. TRANSACTIONS PERFORMED BY REPORTING COMPANIES ON BEHALF OF ASSOCIATE COMPANIES

| Reporting Company Rendering Services | Associate Company Receiving Services | Types of Services Rendered | Direct Costs Charges | Indirect Costs Charges | Cost of Capital | Total Amount Billed |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|

None

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PART II. TRANSACTIONS PERFORMED BY ASSOCIATE COMPANIES ON BEHALF OF REPORTING COMPANIES

| Associate Company Rendering Services | Reporting Company Receiving Services | Types of Services Rendered | Direct Costs Charged | Indirect Costs Charges |
|---|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| Columbia Gulf Transmission | Deep Water | Operation & Maintenance | | \$ 11,418 |
| NiSource Corporate Services Company | Columbia Pipeline | Administrative | \$ 19,189 | |
| NiSource Corporate Services Company | NiSource Pipeline | Administrative | \$ 82,300 | |
| NiSource Corporate Services Company | NiSource Energy Tech. | Administrative | (\$ 33,932) | |
| NiSource Corporate Services Company | Granite State Gas | Administrative | \$ 82,300 | |
| NiSource Corporate Services Company | Crossroads Pipeline | Administrative | \$ 114,064 | |

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ITEM 4. SUMMARY OF AGGREGATE INVESTMENT

(\$ in thousands)

INVESTMENTS IN ENERGY-RELATED COMPANIES:

| | | |
|--|-----------|--------|
| Total consolidated capitalization as of December 31, 2002 | 9,622,765 | Line 1 |
| Total capitalization multiplied by 15% (line 1 multiplied by 0.15) | 1,443,415 | Line 2 |
| Greater of \$50 million or line 2 | 1,443,415 | Line 3 |
| Total current aggregate investment: (categorized by major line of energy-related business) | | |
| Energy-related business | ----- | |
| Total current aggregate investment | 6,000 | Line 4 |
| | ----- | |
| Difference between the greater of \$50 million or 15% of capital- ization and the total aggregate investment of the registered holding company system (line 3 less line 4) | 1,437,415 | Line 5 |

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INVESTMENTS IN GAS-RELATED COMPANIES

174,542
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ITEM 5. OTHER INVESTMENTS

| Major Line of Energy- Related Business ----- | Other Investment in last U-9C-3 Report ----- | Other Investment in this U-9C-3 Report ----- | Reason for difference in Other Investment ----- |
|--|--|--|---|
| None | \$ 2,152,381,947 | \$ 2,131,400,156 | * |

* For Columbia, the scope of the reporting of other investments includes investments, including gas-related guarantees, made before February 14, 1997, in pre-existing subsidiaries that could have been acquired pursuant to Rule 58 (b) (2). These companies include Columbia Gas Transmission Corp., Columbia Gulf Transmission Co., Columbia Natural Resources, Inc., Columbia Energy Services Corp., and Columbia Propane Corp.

* For NiSource Inc. the scope of the reporting of other investments includes investments made prior to 11-1-00 in pre-existing subsidiaries that could have been acquired pursuant to Rule 58 (b) (2).

ITEM 6. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

Not required for the fourth quarter.

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EXHIBITS

1. Copies of contracts required to be provided by Item 3 shall be filed as exhibits.

NOT APPLICABLE

2. Certificate stating that a copy of the reports for the previous quarter has been filed with interested state commissions shall be filed as an exhibit. The certificate shall provide the names and addresses of the state commissions.

EXHIBIT A

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

NiSource Inc

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(Registrant)

Date: March 21, 2002

By:

/s/ J. W. Grossman

Jeffrey W. Grossman
Vice President
(Principal Accounting Officer
and Duly Authorized Officer)