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To the Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

<p>1. Name of conveying party(ies): Columbia Energy Group Corporation</p> <p>Entity: <u>Delaware Corporation</u></p> <p>Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):</p> <p>Name: <u>NISource Corporate Services Company</u></p> <p>Address: <u>801 East 86th Avenue</u> <u>Merrillville, Indiana 46410</u></p> <p>Entity: <u>Delaware Corporation</u></p>
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3. Nature of conveyance:

Assignment Merger
 Security Agreement Change of Name
 Other _____

Date: December 22, 2004

If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, an appointment of domestic representative is attached: Yes No
 Additional name(s) & address(es) attached: Yes No

4. Registration number(s):


1,070,429	1,293,317	2,307,117	2,366,698	2,414,788
1,070,430	2,288,429	2,362,698	2,380,072	2,700,665
1,072,417	2,305,552	2,362,699	2,380,073	

Additional numbers attached? Yes No

<p>5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:</p> <p>Please send the recorded assignment back by fax to 312/258-5700 to the attention of:</p> <p>Debbie Nowicki, Trademark Paralegal Schiff Hardin LLP P.O. Box 06079 Chicago, IL 60606-0079 dnowicki@schiffhardin.com</p>	<p>6. Total number of trademark applications and registrations involved: <u>14</u></p> <p>7. Total Fee (37 CFR 3.41) <u>\$365.00</u></p> <p>Authorization is given to charge the deposit account for the above fee and any additional fees required or to credit any overpayment.</p> <p>8. Deposit Account Number: <u>19-0409</u></p>
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9. Statement and signature:
To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.

Jeanette S. Zimmer  January 31, 2005
 Name of Person Signing Signature Date

Total number of pages including cover sheet and attached documents: 4

Mall documents to be recorded and required cover sheet information to:
 By Fax: 703/306-5995
 Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
 Box Assignments
 Washington, D.C. 20231

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SERVICE MARK ASSIGNMENT

This SERVICE MARK ASSIGNMENT is effective on Dec. 22, 2004 by and between Columbia Energy Group Corporation, a Delaware corporation having a principal place of business at 801 East 86th Avenue, Merrillville, Indiana 46410 (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "ASSIGNOR") and NiSource Corporate Services Company, a Delaware corporation having a principal place of business at 801 East 86th Avenue, Merrillville, Indiana 46410 (hereinafter sometimes referred to as "ASSIGNEE").

For good and valuable consideration, the sufficiency and receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, ASSIGNOR hereby transfers, assigns and conveys to ASSIGNEE, ASSIGNOR's entire worldwide right, title and interest in, together with the goodwill of the business symbolized by, as well as any and all rights and privileges in the United States and throughout the entire world, including the right to sue for any and all past infringement which may have occurred at any time up to the date of this SERVICE MARK ASSIGNMENT for the trademarks, service marks and trade names, and any and all U.S. and foreign trademark and service mark registrations and renewals that issue therefrom, as set forth in Appendix A (collectively, the "Marks").

ASSIGNOR hereby covenants and warrants that it has the full right to convey the above-described worldwide right, title, interest, and goodwill by this instrument, free of any encumbrances or interests and that no other agreement has been or will be executed in conflict herewith.

ASSIGNOR agrees to perform all affirmative acts which may be necessary or desirable to perfect the above-described transfer of the Marks to ASSIGNEE and to maintain said applications and/or registrations before the United States Patent and Trademark Office, as well as to cooperate in obtaining and/or providing information required in any proceedings relating to said Marks in the United States or any foreign countries.

ASSIGNOR further authorizes the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States, and the appropriate official in any and all other countries, to issue any and all additional trademark or amended registrations that have been or may be granted upon any application or petition for same, to ASSIGNEE, its successors and/or assigns.

ASSIGNOR hereby grants to the SCHIFF HARDIN LLP located at 6600 Sears Tower, Chicago, Illinois 60606, the authority and power to insert on this instrument any further identification, which may be necessary or desirable for purposes of recordation in the United States Patent and Trademark Office or the Trademark Office of any foreign country.

ASSIGNOR
COLUMBIA ENERGY GROUP CORP.






Dated: Dec. 22 , 2004



Name: Gary W. Pottorff

Title: Secretary

APPENDIX A

Mark	U.S. Registration No.
COLUMBIA GAS SYSTEM	1,070,429
COLUMBIA GAS SYSTEM & Design 	1,070,430
COLUMBIA & Flame Design 	1,072,417
COLUMBIA GAS	1,293,317
CES	2,288,429
COLUMBIA NATURAL RESOURCES	2,305,552
COLUMBIA PROPANE	2,307,117
COLUMBIA ENERGY	2,362,698
COLUMBIA ENERGY GROUP	2,362,699
COLUMBIA	2,366,698
COLUMBIA ENERGY GROUP & Design 	2,380,072
COLUMBIA GAS & Design 	2,380,073
COLUMBIA & Design 	2,414,788
COLUMBIA TRANSCOM	2,700,665

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