

PIGNATELLI JAMES S
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 PIGNATELLI JAMES S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 UNISOURCE ENERGY CORP
 [UNS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1 S. CHURCH AVENUE, SUITE
 201

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 12/29/2008

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 Chairman, President and CEO

(Street)
 TUCSON, AZ 85701

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Pr
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Secu (Inst	
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock Units <u>(1)</u>	\$ 0 <u>(3)</u>	12/29/2008	A	280.85	<u>(1)(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	280.85 \$ 2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PIGNATELLI JAMES S 1 S. CHURCH AVENUE SUITE 201 TUCSON, AZ 85701	X		Chairman, President and CEO	

Signatures

Amy J. Welander, Attorney
in Fact

12/31/2008

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Credited as fully-vested dividend equivalents under the UniSource Energy Corporation Management and Directors Deferred Compensation Plan (the "DCP") with respect to dividends declared by the Issuer on its Common Stock.
- (2) Payable at the time or times elected by the reporting person under the DCP and subject to earlier payment in accordance with the DCP.
- (3) Converts to common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.

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