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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Re Barnard Randall Lee	porting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC [WMB]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last) (First) ONE WILLIAMS CE	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2012	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. Vice President
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person
TULSA, OK 74172			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City)	(State) ((Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Form: Direct Owned (D) or Following Indirect (I) Reported (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock (1)	02/23/2012		M	16,897	A	\$ 29.06	23,636	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2012		F	4,539	D	\$ 29.06	19,097	D	
Common Stock (1)	02/23/2012		M	15,112	A	\$ 29.06	34,209	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2012		F	3,998	D	\$ 29.06	30,211	D	

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 Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Restricted Stock Units (2)	\$ 0	02/23/2012		A	7,452		02/23/2012	02/23/2012	Common Stock	7,4
Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0	02/23/2012		M		16,897	02/23/2012	02/23/2012	Common Stock	16,
Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0	02/23/2012		M		15,112	02/23/2012	02/23/2012	Common Stock	15,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Barnard Randall Lee ONE WILLIAMS CENTER TULSA, OK 74172

Sr. Vice President

Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for Mr. Randall L.
Barnard

**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) Payout of Restricted Stock Units, in a transaction exempt under Rules 16b-3(d) and 16b-6(b), of shares of common stock awarded under The Williams Companies, Inc. 2007 Incentive Plan of which a portion of the shares were withheld for taxes.
- (2) Represents restricted stock units acquired pursuant to the 2009 performance-based RSU grant agreement resulting from the performance of defined relative and absolute Total Shareholder Return ("TSR") metrics, as certified by the compensation committee.

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