

WRIGHT PHILLIP D
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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 *
WRIGHT PHILLIP D

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) (Middle)

ONE WILLIAMS CENTER

(Street)

TULSA, OK 74172

(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/23/2012

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

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Subsidiary Sr. Vice President

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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/23/2012		M		128,593	A	\$ 29.06
Common Stock	02/23/2012		F		43,831	D	\$ 29.06
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	02/23/2012		M		71,880	A	\$ 29.06
Common Stock	02/23/2012		F		24,864	D	\$ 29.06
Common Stock							14,388
						I	By Trust ⁽²⁾

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
Restricted Stock Units ⁽³⁾	\$ 0	02/23/2012		A	56,713	02/23/2012 02/23/2012	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0	02/23/2012		M	128,593	02/23/2012 02/23/2012	Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0	02/23/2012		M	71,880	02/23/2012 02/23/2012	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WRIGHT PHILLIP D ONE WILLIAMS CENTER TULSA, OK 74172			Subsidiary Sr. Vice President	

Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for Mr. Phillip D. Wright
02/24/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(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) Common Stock held in the Vicky L. Wright Trust dated February 12, 2004, Vicky L. Wright, Trustee.

(3)

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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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