

MALCOLM STEVEN J

Form 4

March 05, 2009

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
MALCOLM STEVEN J

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)  
03/03/2009

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

☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)  
President & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person

**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 <sup>(1)</sup> <sub>(2)</sub>	03/03/2009		M		165,000	A	\$ 10.06 730,652
Common Stock	03/03/2009		F		66,723	D	\$ 10.06 663,929
Common Stock							46,680
						I	By employee stock plan <sub>(3)</sub>

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. 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount Number Shares
Restricted Stock Units <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	\$ 10.06	03/03/2009		M	165,000	03/03/2009 03/03/2009	Common Stock 165,0

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
MALCOLM STEVEN J ONE WILLIAMS CENTER TULSA, OK 74172	X President & CEO

## Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for Steven J. Malcolm 03/05/2009

                     \*\*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 performance-based 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. Vesting was subject to applicable grant agreement and compensation committee certification that the Company met the three year performance measure. The specific performance measure was based on an improvement in the Company's Economic Value Added over the three year period.
- (2) Represents total shares of the Company's common stock held in The Investment Plus Plan.
- (3) Represents total shares of the Company's common stock held in The Investment Plus Plan.

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