

BENDER JAMES J  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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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 \*  
BENDER JAMES 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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/07/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Sr. Vice President & GC

TULSA, OK 74172  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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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	(D)	Price
Common Stock	11/07/2011		M		39,371	A	\$ 19.29
							71,878
Common Stock	11/07/2011		S		39,371	D	\$ 31.3615
							<u>(1)</u>
Common Stock	11/07/2011		M		629	A	\$ 19.29
							33,136
Common Stock	11/07/2011		S		629	D	\$ 30.774
							32,507
Common Stock	11/07/2011		M		15,000	A	\$ 9.93
							47,507

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Common Stock	11/07/2011	S	15,000	D	\$ 31.3948 (2)	32,507	D
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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 or Number of Shares
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.29	11/07/2011		M	39,371	02/05/2005 02/05/2014	Common Stock 39,371
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 19.29	11/07/2011		M	629	02/25/2006 02/25/2015	Common Stock 629
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.93	11/07/2011		M	15,000	02/25/2006 02/25/2015	Common Stock 15,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BENDER JAMES J ONE WILLIAMS CENTER TULSA, OK 74172			Sr. Vice President & GC	

## Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-fact for James J.  
Bender

11/09/2011

\_\_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) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$31.35 - \$31.37. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

(2) This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$31.35 - \$31.44. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transaction was effected.

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