

WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Timmermans Ted T

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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/17/2008

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President and Controller

ONE WILLIAMS CENTER

(Street)

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

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

TULSA, OK 74172

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/17/2008		M		\$ 4,375	A	D
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/17/2008		F		\$ 1,398	D	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. 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)
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 32.27	03/17/2008		M	4,375	03/17/2008 03/17/2008	Common Stock 4,375

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Timmermans Ted T ONE WILLIAMS CENTER TULSA, OK 74172			Vice President and Controller	

## Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for Mr. Ted T. Timmermans  
 Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 03/19/2008

\_\_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).

Payout of Restricted Stock Units (formerly referred to as Deferred Stock) in transaction exempt under Rules 16b-3(d) and 16b-6(b) of (1) 4,375 shares of common stock awarded under The Williams Companies, Inc. 2002 Incentive Plan of which 1,398 shares were withheld for taxes.

(2) 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 an improvement in the Company's Economic Value Added over the three year period.

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