

Mail Stop 3561

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By U.S. Mail and facsimile to (918) 573-5942

Steven J. Malcolm
Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
The Williams Companies, Inc.
One Williams Center
Tulsa, OK 74172

**Re: The Williams Companies, Inc.
Definitive 14A
Filed April 10, 2007
File No. 1-4174**

Dear Mr. Malcolm:

We have completed our review of your executive compensation and related disclosure, and we have no further comments at this time.

Please note that the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in its filing. We are not approving any proposed disclosure you may have included in your response letter or any disclosure you include in your future filings in response to our comments.

If you have any further questions regarding our review of your filing, please call me at (202) 551-3238.

Sincerely,

Ellie Quarles
Special Counsel

cc: James J. Bender (via facsimile to (918) 573-5942)
Senior Vice President and General Counsel