FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington,	D.C.	20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CHAPPEL DONALD R</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC [WMB]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) ONE WILLIAMS CENTER						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2009								X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Sr. Vice President & CFO						
(Street) TULSA	O	K	74172		4. 1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Che Line) X Form filed by One Reporting					n	
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)											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. Transa Date (Month/D					Exec eay/Year) if any		ed Date y/Yea	Transaction D		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)		d (A) or tr. 3, 4 ar	nd S B O	ecuritie eneficia wned F	eficially ned Following		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code V	-	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	, т	eported ransacti nstr. 3 a	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)	
		-							uired, Dis , options,						ned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)				ransaction of E ode (Instr. Derivative (N		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amo of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivativ Security				Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
				,	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Exp Dat	piration te	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	er						
Restricted Stock Units	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		73,145		02/23/2012	02/2	23/2012	Common Stock	73,14	5 \$1	10.86	244,57	8	D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		73,145		02/23/2012	02/2	23/2012	Common Stock	73,14	5 \$1	10.86	317,72	3	D		
Restricted Stock Units	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		18,164		03/03/2009	03/0	03/2009	Common Stock	18,16	4 \$1	10.86	335,88	7	D		
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		36,832		02/23/2010	02/2	23/2019	Common Stock	36,83	2 \$1	10.86	482,97	5	D		
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		36,832		02/23/2011	02/2	23/2019	Common Stock	36,83	2 \$1	10.86	519,80	7	D		
Employee Options (Right to	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		36,833		02/23/2012	02/2	23/2019	Common	36,83	3 \$1	10.86	556,64	.0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for Donald R. Chappel

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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