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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

September 15, 2008

The Williams Companies, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-4174

73-0569878

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

One Williams Center, Tulsa, Oklahoma

74172

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

918-573-2000

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

The Williams Companies, Inc. ("Williams") has been advised that effective on September 15, 2008, Ralph A. Hill, Senior Vice President - Exploration & Production, entered into a trading plan that provides for sales of Williams' common stock subject to certain price limits. In accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Williams Board of Directors approved guidelines which permit its officers and other insiders to enter into 10b5-1 trading plans or arrangements for systematic trading of Williams' securities.

Transactions made under the plan will be reported to the Securities and Exchange Commission in accordance with applicable securities laws, rules and regulations. Except as may be required by law, Williams does not undertake any obligation to update or report any modification, termination or other activity under the plan or any other plan that may be adopted by other officers or directors of Williams.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

*September 16, 2008*

The Williams Companies, Inc.

By: *La Fleur C. Browne*

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*Name: La Fleur C. Browne*

*Title: Assistant General Counsel and Corporate Secretary*