Instruction 1(b).

## FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

<b>STATEMENT</b>	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person $^*$ $\underline{Timmermans\ Ted\ T}$				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC [ WMB ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner							
(Last) ONE WI	(F LLIAMS C	•	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2009								X Officer (give title Other (speci below) below)  Vice President and Controller					·
(Street) TULSA	0	K	74172		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)								Person								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/E		action 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A) o d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a		4 and Securitie Beneficia		es Formally (D) ( Following (I) (I		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)						
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Pri	ice	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ction(s)			,iiisu. 4)			
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)	rivative Conversion Date Execution Date, Curity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		ransaction of Eode (Instr. Derivative (		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
				c	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amor or Num of Share	ber					
Restricted Stock Units	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		11,459		02/23/2012	0:	2/23/2012	Common Stock	11,4	59	\$10.86	39,720		D	
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		7,162		02/23/2012	0	2/23/2012	Common Stock	7,10	62	\$10.86	46,882		D	
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		3,003		03/03/2009	03	3/03/2009	Common Stock	3,00	03	\$10.86	49,885		D	
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		6,076		02/23/2010	02	2/23/2019	Common Stock	6,0	76	\$10.86	53,582		D	
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		6,076		02/23/2011	02	2/23/2019	Common Stock	6,0	76	\$10.86	59,658		D	
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	\$10.86	02/23/2009			A		6,077		02/23/2012	02	2/23/2019	Common Stock	6,0	77	\$10.86	65,735		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Vesting is subject to applicable grant agreement and compensation committee certification that the Company has met the three year performance measure. The specific performance measure will be based on total shareholder return with absolute and relative dependent measures
- 2. Represents restricted stock units acquired pursuant to the 2006 performance-based grant agreement as a result of EVA attainment of 150%, as certified by the compensation committee.

## Remarks:

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-

Fact for Mr. Ted T.

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

02/25/2009

**Timmermans** 

Date

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

- \* 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).

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