FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* STONEY JANICE D						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC [WMB]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)						
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	314 DOUGLAS ON-THE-MALL					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/20/2004									Officer (give title below)			Other (s below)	pecify	
SUITE 1500						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
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(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			4 and Securitie Benefici		es Fo ally (D Following (I)		: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									,	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Tra	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				Instr. 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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (1 8)		of		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			nd 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)					ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisable		piration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Options (Right to Buy) ⁽¹⁾	\$10.87	05/20/2004			A		6,000		05/20/2004	05.	5/20/2014	Common Stock	6,000	\$10.	.87	38,893	3	D		
Deferred Stock ⁽¹⁾	(2)	05/20/2004			A	v	10,120		05/20/2004	01.	/01/2014	Common Stock	10,120	(2))	14,710)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Granted pursuant to The Williams Companies, Inc. 2002 Incentive Plan in transactions exempt under Rule 16b-3(d) as annual compensation for non-management directors. 2. 1-for-1

Remarks:

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-

05/24/2004

Fact for Janice D. Stoney ** Signature of Reporting Person

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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