

WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC  
 Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**HINSHAW JUANITA H**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC [WMB]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
**7701 FORSYTH BLVD**  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/21/2009**

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

**CLAYTON, MO 63105**  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Code  | V   | Amount   |                                   |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying | 8. Price of Derivative Security |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
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| (Instr. 3)                                  | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares | (Instr. 5) |
|---|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|---|------|---|-----|-----|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|------------|
| Restricted<br>Stock<br>Units <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 15.62                           | 05/21/2009       |            |   | A    |   |     |     | <u>(2)</u>          | <u>(2)</u>         | c     | 8,026                                  | <u>(3)</u> |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                              | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HINSHAW JUANITA H<br>7701 FORSYTH BLVD<br>CLAYTON, MO 63105 |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for Ms. Juanita H.  
Hinshaw

05/26/2009

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) Granted pursuant to The Williams Companies, Inc. 2007 Incentive Plan, as amended, in transactions exempt under Rule 16b-3(d) as annual compensation for non-management directors.
- (2) Restricted stock units payable on May 21, 2012 or upon death or other termination of service as a non-management director of the Company.
- (3) 1-for-1

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