

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 \*  
 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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/19/2005

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

1314 DOUGLAS  
 ON-THE-MALL, SUITE 1500

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

OMAHA, NE 68102

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 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)                                                        | Code                                                                                | V                                                        | Amount                            | (D) | Price |

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 | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4. Transaction of | 5. Number of Derivative | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities | 8. |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----|
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| Security<br>(Instr. 3)                      | or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) |                     |                    |                 |                                        |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------|
|                                             |                                                   |                         | Code               | V                                                                                 | (A)              | (D)              | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
| Options<br>(Right to<br>Buy) <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 17.48                                          | 05/19/2005              | A                  |                                                                                   | 6,000            |                  | 05/19/2005          | 05/19/2015         | Common<br>Stock | 6,000                                  |
| Deferred<br>Stock <sup>(1)</sup>            | <sup>(2)</sup>                                    | 05/19/2005              | A                  |                                                                                   | 6,292            |                  | 05/19/2005          | 06/01/2013         | Common<br>Stock | 6,292                                  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                               | Relationships |           |         |       |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|                                                                              | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| STONEY JANICE D<br>1314 DOUGLAS ON-THE-MALL<br>SUITE 1500<br>OMAHA, NE 68102 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for Janice D.  
Stoney 05/23/2005

\*\*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. 2002 Incentive Plan in transactions exempt under Rule 16b-3(d) as annual compensation for non-management directors.
- (2) 1-for-1

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