

Scheel James E.  
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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 \*  
Scheel James E.

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)  
ONE WILLIAMS CENTER  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/23/2013

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
SVP Corp Strategic Dev

TULSA, OK 74172

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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(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 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		
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	02/23/2013		M	2,109	A \$ 0	2,112	D
Common Stock	02/23/2013		F	772	D \$ 33.57	1,340	D

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 (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 0	02/23/2013		M		2,109	02/23/2013 02/23/2013	Common Stock	2,109
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	02/25/2013		A		14,596	02/25/2016 02/25/2016	Common Stock	14,596
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 0	02/25/2013		A		21,334	02/25/2016 02/25/2016	Common Stock	21,334
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 0	02/25/2013		A		14,495	02/25/2014 02/25/2023	Common Stock	14,495
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 0	02/25/2013		A		14,496	02/25/2015 02/25/2023	Common Stock	14,496
Employee Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 0	02/25/2013		A		14,496	02/25/2016 02/25/2023	Common Stock	14,496

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Scheel James E. ONE WILLIAMS CENTER TULSA, OK 74172			SVP Corp Strategic Dev	

## Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for James E.  
Scheel

02/26/2013

\_\_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) Payout of Restricted Stock Units, in a transaction exempt under Rules 16b-3(d) and 16b-6(b), of shares of common stock awarded under The Williams Companies, Inc. 2007 Incentive Plan of which a portion of the shares were withheld for taxes.  
Vesting is subject to applicable grant agreement and compensation committee certification that the Company has met the three year
- (2) performance measure. The specific performance measure will be based on total shareholder return with absolute and relative dependent measures.

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