

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 \*  
 MACINNIS FRANK T

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)  
 301 MERRIT SEVEN, 6TH FLOOR  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 05/17/2010

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

NORWALK, CT 06851  
 (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   |  |                                   |   |
| Common Stock                    | 05/17/2010                           |  | M                              | V   | 3,000<br>(1)  | \$<br>21.14  | 55,761                            | 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)**

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| 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units                     | \$ 21.14   | 05/17/2010                           |  | M                              | 3,000   | 05/17/2010 05/17/2010                                    | Common Stock  | 3,000                      |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 0   | 09/16/2009                           |  | J <sup>(2)</sup>               | 2,179   | 09/16/2009 09/16/2009                                    | Common Stock  | 2,179                      |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy)               | \$ 0   | 03/16/2010                           |  | J <sup>(2)</sup>               | 4,357   | 03/16/2010 03/16/2010                                    | Common Stock  | 4,357                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| MACINNIS FRANK T<br>301 MERRIT SEVEN<br>6TH FLOOR<br>NORWALK, CT 06851 | X             |           |         |       |

## Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for Mr. Frank T. MacInnis 05/19/2010

\*\*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.

(2) Cancellation of stock options at no value to reporting person.

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