ARMSTRONG ALAN S
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ARMSTRONG ALAN S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ONE WILLIAMS CENTER

(Street)

TULSA, OK 74172

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/23/2009

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Sr. Vice President - Midstream

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

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (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 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)

(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	$ 10.86	02/23/2009		A		58,516		02/23/2012	02/23/2012	Common Stock	58,516
Restricted Stock Units (1)	$ 10.86	02/23/2009		A		58,516		02/23/2012	02/23/2012	Common Stock	58,516
Restricted Stock Units (2)	$ 10.86	02/23/2009		A		10,458		03/03/2009	03/03/2009	Common Stock	10,458
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	$ 10.86	02/23/2009		A		29,466		02/23/2010	02/23/2019	Common Stock	29,466
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	$ 10.86	02/23/2009		A		29,466		02/23/2011	02/23/2019	Common Stock	29,466
Employee Options (Right to Buy)	$ 10.86	02/23/2009		A		29,466		02/23/2012	02/23/2019	Common Stock	29,466

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ARMSTRONG ALAN S ONE WILLIAMS CENTER TULSA, OK 74172			Sr. Vice President - Midstream	

Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for Alan S. Armstrong.	02/25/2009
**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) Vesting is subject to applicable grant agreement and compensation committee certification that the Company has met the three year performance measure. The specific performance measure will be based on total shareholder return with absolute and relative dependent measures.

(2) Represents restricted stock units acquired pursuant to the 2006 performance-based grant agreement as a result of EVA attainment of 150%, as certified by the compensation committee.

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