

JOHNSON MICHAEL P
Form 4
January 04, 2005

FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
JOHNSON MICHAEL P

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, SUITE
4900

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2004

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Senior Vice President

(Street)
TULSA, OK 74172

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

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

(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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	12/31/2004		M		3,552	A	\$ 16.29
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	12/31/2004		F		1,124	D	\$ 16.29

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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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾	\$ 16.29	12/31/2004		M		3,552		12/07/2002	12/31/2004	Common Stock	40,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
JOHNSON MICHAEL P ONE WILLIAMS CENTER SUITE 4900 TULSA, OK 74172	Senior Vice President

Signatures

Cher S. Lawrence, Attorney-in-Fact for Michael P.
Johnson.

01/04/2005

____Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Payout of Special Deferred Stock Award in transaction exempt under Rules 16b-3(d) and 16b-6(b) of 3,552 shares of common stock awarded under The Williams Companies, Inc. 1996 Stock Plan of which 1,124 shares were withheld for taxes.

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