WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC Form 8-K February 13, 2012

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

February 7, 2012

## The Williams Companies, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-4174	73-0569878	
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)	
One Williams Center, Tulsa, Oklahoma		74172	
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)	
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		918-573-2000	
	Not Applicable		
Former name or	former address, if changed since	last report	
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is a the following provisions:	intended to simultaneously satisfy	the filing obligation of the registrant under any of	
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On February 13, 2012, The Williams Companies, Inc. ("Williams") announced that Phillip D. Wright plans to retire on April 1, 2012. Mr. Wright is Williams' Senior Vice President - Corporate Development.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

A copy of Williams' press release publicly announcing the retirement of Mr. Wright is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

The information in this Item 7.01, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1 - Copy of Williams' press release dated February 13, 2012 announcing the retirement of Phillip D. Wright.

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### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

The Williams Companies, Inc.

February 13, 2012 By: William H. Gault

Name: William H. Gault

Title: Assistant Corporate Secretary

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Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Copy of Williams' press release dated February 13, 2012 announcing the retirement of Phillip D. Wright.