WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC Form S-8 April 04, 2002

As filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 4, 2002.

Registration No. ______

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

THE WILLIAMS COMPANIES, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization) 73-0569878 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

One Williams Center
Tulsa, Oklahoma
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

74172 (Zip Code)

THE WILLIAMS INVESTMENT PLUS PLAN

(Full title of plan)

SUZANNE H. COSTIN, ESQ.
The Williams Companies, Inc.
One Williams Center, Tulsa, OK 74172
(918) 573-2000

(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of Each Class of Securities to be Registered(1)	Amount to be Registered	Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Unit(2)	Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price(3)	Amount of Registration Fee
Common Stock, (\$1 par value)	10,000,000(4)	\$23.75	\$237,500,000	\$21,850

(1) In addition, pursuant to Rule 416(c) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this registration statement also covers an indeterminate amount of interests to be offered or sold pursuant to the Plan.

- (2) Estimated based on the reported New York Stock Exchange composite transactions closing price on April 1, 2002.
- (3) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the filing fee.
- (4) Includes a number of Rights issuable under The Williams Companies, Inc. Rights Plan equal to one-half of the number of shares registered hereunder.

PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE.

The following documents are hereby incorporated by reference and made a part of this Registration Statement:

- (a) Williams' Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001.
- (b) Williams' Current Reports on Form 8-K filed January 4, 23 and 30, February 5 and 19, March 7, 8, 13, 20, 27 and 28 and April 1, 2002.
- (c) The description of Williams' common stock, par value \$1.00 per share, contained in Williams' Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed April 4, 2002.
- (d) The Plan's Annual Report on Form 11-K for the year ended December 31, 2000.

All reports subsequently filed by Williams pursuant to Sections 13, 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, prior to the termination of the offering, shall be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference and to be a part hereof.

Pursuant to General Instruction E to Form S-8, the contents of Williams' Registration Statement No. 33-40979 on Form S-8 filed May 31, 1991, and Williams' Registration Statement No. 33-51549 filed December 17, 1993, are incorporated by reference herein.

ITEM 8. EXHIBITS.

- 4.1* Williams' Restated Certificate of Incorporation, as supplemented (filed as Exhibit 3.1 to Williams' Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed April 4, 2002).
- 23.1 Consent of Ernst & Young LLP.
- 24.1 Power of Attorney.
- 24.2 Certified copy of resolution authorizing signatures pursuant to Power of Attorney.

SIGNATURES

The Registrant. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, Williams certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Tulsa and State of Oklahoma on the 4th day of April, 2002.

THE WILLIAMS COMPANIES, INC. (Registrant)

TITLE

By /s/ Suzanne H. Costin

(Suzanne H. Costin, Attorney-in-fact)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated on April 4, 2002:

SIGNATURE

*	Chairman of the Board		
Keith E. Bailey	(Principal Executive Officer)		
*	Senior Vice President (Principal Financial Officer)		
Jack D. McCarthy	(Principal Financial Officer)		
*	Controller (Principal Accounting Officer)		
Gary R. Belitz	(Filmerpal Accounting Officer)		
*	Director		
Hugh M. Chapman			
*	Director		
Glenn A. Cox			
*	Director		
Thomas H. Cruikshank			
*	Director		
William E. Green			

*	Director
W. R. Howell	
*	Director
James C. Lewis	
*	Director
Charles M. Lillis	
*	Director
George A. Lorch	
*	Director
Frank T. MacInnis	
*	Director
Steven J. Malcolm	
*	Director
Gordon R. Parker	
*	Director
Janice D. Stoney	
*	Director
Joseph H. Williams	
/s/ Suzanne H. Costin	
(Suzanne H. Costin, Attorney-in	-fact)

*Ву

The Plan. Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Plan has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Tulsa and State of Oklahoma on the 4th day of April, 2002.

THE WILLIAMS INVESTMENT PLUS PLAN

By: /s/ SCOTT H. WELCH

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Special Benefits Counsel
The Williams Companies, Inc.

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