

WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC  
Form 8-K  
July 15, 2011

**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): July 15, 2011**

**THE WILLIAMS COMPANIES, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

**1-4174**  
(Commission

File Number)

**73-0569878**  
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

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

**74172**  
**(Zip Code)**

**Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: 918/573-2000**

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosures**

On July 15, 2011, The Williams Companies, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release responding to Southern Union Company's decision to engage in discussions with the Company with regard to the Company's proposal to acquire Southern Union Company. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

The information is being furnished pursuant to Item 7.01, Regulation FD Disclosure. The information being furnished in this Item 7.01 and in the attached Exhibit 99.1 is not deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, is not subject to the liabilities of that section and is not deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**Item 8.01 Other Events**

To the extent required, the information included in Item 7.01 of this Form 8-K is hereby incorporated by reference into this Item 8.01.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

(d) Exhibits

**Exhibit**

| No.  | Description   |
|------|---|
| 99.1 | Press Release of The Williams Companies, Inc., dated July 15, 2011. |

**SIGNATURE**

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.

By: /s/ Sarah C. Miller  
Sarah C. Miller  
Assistant Secretary

DATED: July 15, 2011

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