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WILLIAMS COMPANIES INC Form 8-K November 15, 2002

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): November 14, 2002

The Williams Companies, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

The Williams Companies, Inc. wishes to disclose for Regulation FD purposes its press release dated November 14, 2002, filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1, and a reconciliation of income (loss) from continuing operations to recurring earnings as referenced in Exhibit 99.1, filed herewith as Exhibit 99.2.

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During the public conference call held the morning of November 14, 2002, to discuss Williams' third quarter earnings, it was mentioned that Williams would be required to make an additional cash contribution of approximately \$50,000,000 to its pension plan during the fourth quarter of 2002. However, Williams continues to evaluate its pension funding obligations and an accurate estimate of the potential cash contribution, if any, is unknown at this time

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

THE WILLIAMS COMPANIES, INC.

Date: November 15, 2002 /s/ Suzanne H. Costin

Name: Suzanne H. Costin Title: Corporate Secretary

INDEX TO EXHIBITS

EXHIBIT NUMBER	DESCRIPTION
99.1	Copy of Williams' press release dated November 14, 2002.
99.2	Reconciliation of income (loss) from continuing operations to recurring earnings, as attached to Williams' press release dated November 14, 2002.