

WILLIAMS JOHN A  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
WILLIAMS JOHN A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
BURLINGTON RESOURCES INC  
[BR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
08/10/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
S.V.P., Exploration

BURLINGTON RESOURCES INC., 717 TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 2100

(Street)

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

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

HOUSTON, TX 77002

(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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price (A) or (D)		
Common Stock	08/10/2005		M		2,300 A \$ 21.01	49,800	D
Common Stock	08/10/2005		S		200 D \$ 67.51	49,600	D
Common Stock	08/10/2005		S		400 D \$ 67.6	49,200	D
Common Stock	08/10/2005		S		1,700 D \$ 67.61	47,500	D
	08/10/2005		M		22,700 A	70,200	D

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Common Stock					\$	21.01		
Common Stock	08/10/2005		S	22,700	D	\$ 67.51	47,500 <sup>(1)</sup>	D
Common Stock							2,992 <sup>(2)</sup>	I
								401 (k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.01	08/10/2005		M	2,300	01/22/2004 01/21/2013	Common Stock	2,300	
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 21.01	08/10/2005		M	22,700	01/22/2004 01/22/2013	Common Stock	22,700	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WILLIAMS JOHN A BURLINGTON RESOURCES INC. 717 TEXAS AVENUE, SUITE 2100 HOUSTON, TX 77002			S.V.P., Exploration	

## Signatures

Jeffery P. Monte  
Attorney-in-fact

08/11/2005

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Since the date of the reporting person's last ownership report, he transferred 10,000 shares of BR common stock and 3,081 shares from his BR Inc. Retirement Savings Plan (401 (k) Plan) to his ex-wife pursuant to a domestic relations order.
- (2) This number indicates a decrease of 3,248 shares in the BR Inc. Retirement Savings Plan (401 (k) Plan) between January 31, 2005 and July 31, 2005. This plan uses unit accounting to track fund balances.

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