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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): December 11, 2011

WPX Energy, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction 1-35322 (Commission 45-1836028 (I.R.S. Employer

of Incorporation)

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One Williams Center, Tulsa, Oklahoma (Address of Principal Executive Offices) Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (918) 573-2000 74172-0172 (Zip Code)

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- " Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

On December 2, 2011, prior to the date on which WPX Energy, Inc. (the Company) became subject to the requirements of Section 13(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Board of Directors (the Board) of the Company increased the size of the Board from one to three members and elected Donald R. Chappel and William G. Lowrie as members of the Board, in each case effective December 11, 2011. Both Messrs. Chappel and Lowrie were also appointed to serve as members of the Audit Committee of the Board.

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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/ James J. Bender James J. Bender

General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

DATED: December 13, 2011