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Form 5

January 30, 2002

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
FORM 5
ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
( ) Check box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instructions 1(b).
( ) Form 3 Holdings Reported
( ) Form 4 Transactions Reported
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
  Will, James F.
  721 E. McMurray Road
  McMurray, PA 15317
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
  Alleghany Corporation
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
  December 31, 2001
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
   (X) Director ( ) 10% Owner ( ) Officer (give title below) ( ) Other
  (specify below)
7. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting (Check Applicable Line)
   (X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
   ( ) Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
                        |2. |3. |4.Securities Acquired (A)
1. Title of Security
                                                             |5.Amount of
                         |Transaction| or Disposed of (D)
                                                                  | Securities
                         |Date |Code|
                                                                  | Beneficially
                                                   | A/|
                              | Owned at
                              | Amount | D | Price | End of Year
Common Stock
                        |5/1/01|A |65
                                                   | A |
                                                                 1475(1)
Table II -- Derivative Securitites Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
1. Title of Derivative | 2.Con | 3. | 4. | 5. Number of De | 6. Date Exer | 7. Title and Amount | 8. F
 Security
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                     |or Exer |Date |Code| rities Acqui |Expiration | Securities
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Option (right to buy)	\$210.10 4/30/ A	1	A (2	2) 4/30/ Common	Stock 1,000	(2)
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Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Includes shares of Common Stock paid by Alleghany Corporation as a stock dividend in April 2001.
- (2) One-third of such option becomes exercisable on each of the first, second and third anniversaries of the date of grant.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON

/s/ James F. Will

DATE

January 10, 2002