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## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Common

Stock

12/29/2010

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading de Guillenchmidt Alec Issuer Symbol COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction 10% Owner (Month/Day/Year) Director X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify **COLGATE-PALMOLIVE** 12/29/2010 below) below) COMPANY, 300 PARK AVENUE Pres. Colgate Europe (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10022 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s)

Amount

75.608

(D)

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Price

(1)

Common Stock 41,041 D

 $C^{(1)}$ 

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(Instr. 3 and 4)

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214,169

By Issuer's 401(k)

plan Trustee

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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 proof 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
Series B Convertible Preference Stock	(1)	12/29/2010		C(1)	9.451	<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	75.608

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

de Guillenchmidt Alec COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022

Pres. Colgate Europe

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## **Signatures**

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney 12/30/2010

\*\*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).

The Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee caused the conversion of all outstanding Series B Convertible Preference Stock on December 29, 2010,

- (1) into shares of the Issuer's Common Stock at a conversion rate equal to eight shares of Common Stock for each share of Series B Convertible Preference Stock was convertible at the Trustee's election upon the Issuer's decision to redeem such stock.
- (2) The Series B Convertible Preference Stock had no expiration date.

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