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# FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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*See* Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Skala Justin	ldress of Repo	orting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
COLGATE-PALMOLIVE			02/01/2011	_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify		
COMPANY, 300 PARK AVENUE				below) below) Pres. Colgate Latin America		
(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		
NEW YORK, NY 10022				Form filed by More than One Reporting		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-I	<b>Derivative</b>	Securi	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
C			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/01/2011		M(2)	18,000	A	\$ 53.455	64,600	D	
Common Stock	02/01/2011		F(2)	14,552	D	\$ 76.71	50,048	D	
Common Stock	02/02/2011		S(3)	546	D	\$ 76.12	49,502	D	
Common Stock							20,042	I	By Issuer's 401(k) Plan

Trustee

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and		7. Title and Amount of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onDerivative	Expiration Date Underlying Secu		Securities	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4)		4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)				
	Derivative				or Disposed of				
	Security				(D)				
					(Instr. 3, 4,				
					and 5)				
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number
				Code V	(A) (D)	Lacicisable	Date		of Shares
Stock									
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.455	02/01/2011		M <u>(1)</u>	18,000	09/08/2008	09/08/2011	Common Stock	18,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

Pres. Colgate Latin America

## **Signatures**

Nina R. Huffman by power of attorney

02/03/2011

\*\*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) Exercise of stock options awarded under the issuer's employee stock option plan.
- (2) The exercise price of the options and related withholding requirement was satisfied by the Company's withholding shares otherwise deliverable upon exercise of the options.
- (3) Sale of shares (with proceeds delivered to the Company) for payment of tax liability above minimum required statutory withholding (but not in excess of full applicable statutory tax rates) incident to the exercise of the option under the issuer's employee stock option plan.

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