

## Colgate Declares Regular Quarterly Dividends

NEW YORK, NEW YORK, October 5, 2006... The Board of Directors of Colgate-Palmolive Company (NYSE:CL) today declared quarterly cash dividends of \$.32 per common share, payable on November 15, 2006, to shareholders of record on October 24, 2006. The Company has paid uninterrupted dividends on its common stock since 1895.

About Colgate-Palmolive: Colgate-Palmolive is a leading global consumer products company, tightly focused on Oral Care, Personal Care, Home Care and Pet Nutrition. Colgate sells its products in over 200 countries and territories around the world under such internationally recognized brand names as Colgate, Palmolive, Mennen, Softsoap, Irish Spring, Protex, Sorriso, Kolynos, Elmex, Ajax, Axion, Soupline, and Suavitel, as well as Hill's Science Diet and Hill's Prescription Diet pet foods. For more information about Colgate's global business, visit the Company's web site at <a href="http://www.colgate.com">http://www.colgate.com</a>.

This press release (other than historical information) may contain forward-looking statements. Actual events or results may differ materially from those statements. Investors should consult the Company's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (including the information set forth under the captions "Risk Factors" and "Cautionary Statement on Forward-Looking Statements" in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005) for information about factors that could cause such differences. Copies of these filings may be obtained upon request from the Company's Investor Relations Department or the Company's web site at <a href="http://www.colgate.com">http://www.colgate.com</a>.