## FORM 4

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Instruction 1(b).

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     de Guillenchmidt Alec					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]										ck all applic Directo	k all applicable) Director		g Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner  Other (specify	
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transact Date (Month/Day		ar)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)						5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	es ally Following		: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
								Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	) or Price		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Common	Stock			07/31	1/2012	2			M <sup>(1)</sup>		13,000	) A	\$	60.68	55,	,824		D	
Common	Stock			07/31	1/2012	2			M <sup>(1)</sup>		12,000	) A	\$	55.11	67,	,824		D	
Common	Stock			07/31	1/2012	2			<b>F</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		9,779	D	\$1	07.36	58,	,045		D	
Common	Stock			07/31	1/2012	2			<b>F</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		8,672	D	\$1	07.36	49,	,373		D	
Common Stock													222		I		By Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee		
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	ate Execution	Date, Trans			5. Number n of		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		e	7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	e ss ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	or	ount nber res					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$60.68	07/31/2012			M <sup>(1)</sup>			13,000	09/07/20	009	09/07/2012	Commo Stock	<sup>n</sup> 13,	000	\$0	0		D	
Stock Option (Right to	\$55.11	07/31/2012			M <sup>(1)</sup>			12,000	09/12/20	05	09/12/2012	Commo Stock	n 12,	000	\$0	0		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Exercise of stock options awarded under the issuer's employee stock option plan.
- 2. Withholding of shares (with proceeds delivered to the issuer) for payment of the exercise price of options under the issuer's employee stock option plan and the related tax withholding.

## Remarks:

Nina Huffman by power of <u>attorney</u>

08/02/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- \* 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).

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