## FORM 4

obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT	<b>OF CHANGES</b>	IN BENEFICIAL	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WENTZ HOWARD B JR  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY  300 PARK AVENUE  (Street)  NEW YORK NY 10022					3. D 09/	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/11/2003  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6.	5. Relationship of Reporting Person (Check all applicable)  X Director Officer (give title below)  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (CLine) X Form filed by One Reporting.				10% C Other below)	owner (specify  pplicable on
(City)			Zip)		-										Form filed by More than One Repo Person					orung
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/D					Execution Date,		n Date,	Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ities Acquired (A) or d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			l and Secur Benef Owne		cially d Following	6. Owne Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr	irect direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (C	) or ))	Price			action(s) 3 and 4)			(111501.4)
Common Stock				09/11	1/2003				A <sup>(1)</sup>		41		A	\$54	54.75		103,672			
Common Stock														1,200 <sup>(</sup>		,200 <sup>(2)</sup>	I		By spouse	
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. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,		saction e (Instr. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		ative rities ired rosed . 3, 4	6. Date Expiratio (Month/D		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amount or Numbe of Title Shares		ount	nt er		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4)	Own Forn Direc or In (I) (Ir	ership 1: ct (D) direct nstr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Shares of common stock deferred to a stock unit account pursuant to the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors.
- 2. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

## Remarks:

Andrew D. Hendry by power of attorney

09/15/2003

\*\* 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).
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