## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  HICKEY DENNIS J  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY				3. D	Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]      Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     09/08/2009											all app Direct Offict below	blicable) ctor er (give title v)	g Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify below)  ate Controller				
300 PAR (Street) NEW YO (City)		Y 1	.0022 Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year								ear)		6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D				Execution Da		on Date,	Co	ansact ide (In:			rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			and Secu Bene		cially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Со	de \	,	Amount		(A) or (D)	Pri	се	Transa	action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 09/08/			/2009	2009			F <sup>(</sup>	(1)		801	801 D \$		71.49	103,997			D					
Common	Stock																	3,748		I	By Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee	
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, ay/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of Der Sec Acc (A) Dis of (	oosed D) tr. 3, 4	Expir (Mon	te Exeration tth/Day	Date //Yea		Am Sec Un De Sec	O N O	of s ng e (Instr.	Deri Sec (Insi	rice of vative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction ((Instr. 4)	F C C	LO. Ownership Form: Direct (D) Or Indirect I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Payment of tax liability by withholding shares of stock from award of restricted shares vesting under the issuer's stockholder-approved Executive Incentive Compensation Plan. The overall net effect of the vesting of restricted shares, after the withholding and sale of shares to pay income taxes associated with such vesting reported on this Form, was to increase Mr. Hickey's non-restricted holdings (i.e., common shares held outright) of Colgate stock.

## Remarks:

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney

09/10/2009

\*\* 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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