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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>MARTIN RONALD T</u>		Person*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO</u> [CL]		ationship of Reporting Pe k all applicable) Director Officer (give title	erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
	Last) (First) (N C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COM 300 PARK AVENUE		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/03/2009		below) VP Global Soc. R	below) esponsibility
(Street) NEW YORK	NY (State)	10022 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Fili Form filed by One Re Form filed by More th Person	porting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11301 4)
Common Stock	12/03/2009		F ⁽¹⁾		79	D	\$85.65	6,681	D	
Common Stock								1,823	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)

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l	1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(S) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Payment of Medicare and income tax liability by withholding shares of stock from restricted shares previously granted under the issuer's Executive Incentive Compensation Plan. Mr. Martin's holding of Colgate shares increased after the combination of this withholding and the original grant. Mr. Martin continues to hold the restricted shares originally granted, less the amount of this required tax withholding. **Remarks:**

Nina D. Gillman by power of

<u>attorney</u>

12/07/2009

** 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).

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