FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  FERGUSON RONALD E				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]								(Cr	Relationsh eck all ap X Dire	plicable)	ng Person(s) to Is			
(Last)	Lasti (Filst) (Milute) I				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/13/2003								Offic belo	cer (give title w)	Other below	(specify		
300 PARK AVENUE				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable						
(Street) NEW YC	ORK N	Y 1	.0022											Lin	X For	m filed by Mo	e Reporting Pers	
(City)	(St	ate) (.	Zip)															
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)				Execution Date,		Code	Transaction Disposed Of (I Code (Instr. 5)			Acquired (A) or (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		Secui Bene	ficially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
							Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock 11/13/				/2003		A <sup>(1)</sup>		4.4	. A S		<b>\$56.</b>	2 !	90,174	D				
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Conversion or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security			Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		of I		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		str. 3	. Price of Perivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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#### **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Shares of common stock deferred to a stock unit account pursuant to the Deferred Compensation Plan for Non-Employee Directors

### Remarks:

Andrew D. Hendry by power

11/14/2003

of attorney

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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