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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Addres <u>Woodson Gre</u>	ss of Reporting Perso <u>egory P</u>	n*	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO</u> [ CL ]	(Check	ationship of Reporting Per < all applicable) Director Officer (give title	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
(Last) COLGATE-PAL 300 PARK AVE	(First) MOLIVE COMP/	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2011	X	below) VP-Chief Ethics &	below)
(Street) NEW YORK (City)	NY (State)	10022 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	vidual or Joint/Group Filin Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More tha Person	orting Person

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

Table 1- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed 01, 01 Denencially Owned												
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	05/03/2011		<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		20,000	A	\$56.675	69,729	D			
Common Stock	05/03/2011		<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		16,000	A	\$56.675	85,729	D			
Common Stock	05/03/2011		<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		22,500	A	\$53.455	108,229	D			
Common Stock	05/03/2011		<b>F</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		45,608	D	\$84.7	62,621	D			
Common Stock	05/04/2011		S <sup>(3)</sup>		2,021	D	\$85.3642	60,600	D			
Common Stock								33,962	I	By Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee		
Common Stock								1,764	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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of Deri Seci Acq (A) o Disp of (E	umber vative urities uired or oosed o) (Instr. and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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				
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$56.675	05/03/2011		<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>			20,000	09/17/2004	09/17/2011	Common Stock	20,000	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$56.675	05/03/2011		<b>M</b> <sup>(1)</sup>			16,000	09/17/2004	09/17/2011	Common Stock	16,000	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$53.455	05/03/2011		F <sup>(1)</sup>			22,500	09/08/2008	09/08/2011	Common Stock	22,500	\$0	0	D	

### Explanation of Responses:

1. Exercise of stock options awarded under the issuer's employee stock option plan.

2. The exercise price of the options and related withholding requirement was satisfied by the Company's withholding shares otherwise deliverable upon exercise of the options.

3. Sale of shares (with proceeds delivered to the Company) for payment of tax liability above minimum required statutory withholding (but not in excess of full applicable statutory tax rates) incident to the exercise of the option under the issuer's employee stock option plan.

#### Remarks:

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

05/05/2011

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

 $^{\ast}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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