# 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*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO</u> [ CL ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
<u>Skala Justin</u>				Director 10% Owner					
			2. Data of Earliest Transaction (Manth/Dou/Mass)	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2008	Pres. Colgate Greater Asia					
(Last) (First) (Middle) COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE		JMPAN Y							
300 PARK AVE	ENUE								
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street)				Line)					
NEW YORK NY	10022		X Form filed by One Reporting Person						
				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date,		iction 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)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	03/03/2008		<b>F</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		330	D	\$76.84	21,185	D	
Common Stock								540	Ι	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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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)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed	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 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 of shares to pay income taxes associated with such vesting reported on this Form, was to increase Mr. Skala's non-restricted holdings (i.e., common shares held outright) of Colgate stock.

**Remarks:** 

Nina D. Gillman by power of

attorney

03/05/2008

\*\* 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).

\*\* 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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