## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  PATRICK STEPHEN C				<u>CC</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]										all app Dired Offic	ionship of Reporting all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)		10% O Other ( below)	/ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/08/2008									Chief Financial Office						
(Street)  NEW YC  (City)			10022 (Zip)		4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Indiv Line) X	Forn Forn	ual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Tab	le I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curiti	es Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, o	r Ber	nefic	cially	Owne	ed			
Date			2. Transa Date (Month/I		Execution Date,		3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Code (Instr. 2, 4 Toda (Instr. 3, 4 Transaction Code (Instr. 3, 4			and 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)		Pri	се		action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)	
Common	Stock			09/08	3/2008	3			F <sup>(1)</sup>		1,564		D	\$7	79.25	2	11,952		D	
Common Stock															2,707			I	By Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)  2. Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year)  Price of Derivative Security  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  (Month/Day/Year)		n Date, ay/Year) -		ransaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Expiration (Month/D	е	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		nstr. : mount	nt er		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ov Fo Di or (I)	D. wnership orm: irect (D) r Indirect ) (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 of shares to pay income taxes associated with such vesting reported on this Form, was to increase Mr. Patrick's non-restricted holdings (i.e., common shares held outright) of Colgate stock.

## Remarks:

Nina D Gillman by power of attorney

09/10/2008

\*\* 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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