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# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO</u> [ CL ]		tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director	on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE (Street) NEW YORK NY 10022		( )	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/05/2005		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)
		10022	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
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### 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)	3. Transa Code ( 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)			
Common Stock	10/05/2005		A <sup>(1)</sup>		19	A	\$52.71	72,077	D				
Common Stock	10/06/2005		A <sup>(1)</sup>		23	Α	\$52.71	72,100	D				
Common Stock								27,255	I	By Grantor Retained Annuity Trust			

#### 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)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4	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)

Date

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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 of attorney

Amount o Number

of Shares

Title

Expiration

Date

10/07/2005

Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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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