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*  Nelson Rosemary					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]								k all applic Director	able)	,		er ner pecify
(Last) (First) (Middle) COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE				0	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/08/2011								below) VP-Dep	ons			
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10022  (City) (State) (Zip)			4	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line)	′					
		Tal	ole I - Non-I	Derivati	ve Se	curitie	s Ac	quired, Di	sposed	of, or Be	enefic	ially	Owned				
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	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	cise (Month/Day/Year) ve	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	Transaction Code (Instr.		of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: y Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership tt (Instr. 4)
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Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$90.46	09/08/2011		A <sup>(1)</sup>		14,500		09/08/2012 <sup>(2)</sup>	09/08/20:	7 Common Stock	14,	500	\$0	14,500		D	

## Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Annual Stock Option granted under the issuer's 2005 Employee Stock Option Plan.
- 2. Option becomes exercisable in one-third increments on each anniversary date, with the first third becoming exercisable on the date shown in this column.

## Remarks:

Nina Huffman by power of

09/12/2011

<u>attorney</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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