

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>TANGNEY MICHAEL J</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY</u> <u>300 PARK AVENUE</u>  (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10022</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>COO Europe, Gr. Asia &amp; Africa</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/17/2009</u>	

**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	08/17/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>		33,334	A	\$55.6563	439,296	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	A	\$55.6563	449,296	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>		15,900	A	\$60.02	465,196	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>		67,500	A	\$56.565	532,696	D	
Common Stock	08/17/2009		F <sup>(2)</sup>		113,061	D	\$71.34	419,635	D	
Common Stock								18,567	I	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)**

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$55.6563	08/17/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>			33,334	09/09/2002	09/09/2009	Common Stock	33,334	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$55.6563	08/17/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>			10,000	09/09/2002	09/09/2009	Common Stock	10,000	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$60.02	08/17/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>			15,900	07/06/2001	09/09/2009	Common Stock	15,900	\$0	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$56.565	08/17/2009		M <sup>(1)</sup>			67,500	09/11/2006	09/11/2009	Common Stock	67,500	\$0	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

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

**Remarks:**

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney 08/19/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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