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*  COOK IAN M  (Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY  300 PARK AVENUE  (Street)						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2004  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Executive Vice President  Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Application)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person			o Owner er (specify w) nt	
(City)	NEW YORK NY 10022  (City) (State) (Zip)															Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
		Tab	le I - No	า-Deriv	ative	Se	curiti	es Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, o	r Ben	efici	ally (	Owne	ed		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution			Code	Transaction Code (Instr.					4 and Secu Bene Owne		cially I Following	6. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect
						Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Pric	e		action(s) 3 and 4)		(iiisti. 4)			
Common Stock 03/01					/2004	2004		F <sup>(1)</sup>		4,250	4,250 I		\$5	5.95	108,940		D		
Common Stock																10,198		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)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security  Date (Month/Day/Year)  Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date E Expiration (Month/L) Date Exercise	on Date	•	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)  Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		nstr. 3 nount mber	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)			

## Explanation of Responses:

1. Payment of tax liability by withholding shares of stock from restricted shares vesting under the issuer's Executive Incentive Compensation Plan.

## Remarks:

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney

03/03/2004

\*\* 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).
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