FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP
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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     Nelson Rosemary						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/15/2013								,	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  VP-Dep Gen Counsel, Operations					
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10022					_   4. II	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)      X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S		(Zip)									_				_				
Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					action	ar) i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Trans	3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,		(A) or	5. Amor Securiti Benefic Owned	unt of es ially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (D	) or )	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 02/15/2						2013			M <sup>(1)</sup>		6,000	)	A	\$79.5	2 20	20,934		D		
Common Stock 02/15/2					5/2013	2013			<b>S</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		6,000	)	D	\$110	14	1,934		D		
Common Stock														2	2,478		I	By Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee		
		Т	able II -								osed of onverti				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemo Execution if any (Month/Da	Date, Transa Code (			of E		6. Date E. Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	r) Amo Secu Unde Deriv		7. Title and Amount of Securities Juderlying Jerivative Security Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	is Silly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	V (A)		(D)	Date Exercisal		expiration Date	Title	0 0	Amount or Number of Shares						
Stock Option (Right to	\$79.52	02/15/2013			M <sup>(1)</sup>			6,000	09/11/20	11 0	9/11/2014	Comm Stock		6,000	\$0	0		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Exercise of stock options awarded under the issuer's employee stock option plan.
- 2. Sale of shares with a portion of the proceeds delivered to the issuer for payment of the exercise price of options under the issuer's employee stock option plan and the related tax withholding.

## Remarks:

/s/ Nina Huffman, Attorney-in-

02/20/2013

**Fact** 

\*\* 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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