Instruction 1(b).

FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Nelson Rosemary</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     Director					
(Last) (First) (Middle) COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2010								helow)	Officer (give title below)  VP-Dep Gen Cou		Other (s below)	´	
300 PARK AVENUE  (Street)  NEW YORK NY 10022				_ 4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
(City)			(Zip)		-									Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				ting
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deri	vativ	e Se	curit	ties Ac	quired	l, Di	sposed o	f, or Be	neficial	ly Owned	<u> </u>			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Trans Date (Month/I			r) Ex	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Benefici Owned I	es ally Following	6. Ownershi Form: Direc (D) or Indire (I) (Instr. 4)	: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	of Indirect			
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)		[	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock			02/05/2010					M <sup>(1)</sup>		10,000	A	\$56.67	5 23	23,055		D		
Common Stock			02/05/2010					M <sup>(1)</sup>		9,000	A	\$53.45	5 32	32,055		D		
Common Stock			02/05	02/05/2010				<b>F</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		15,436	D	\$79.20	5 16	16,619		D		
Common Stock 02/0				02/08	/2010				<b>S</b> <sup>(3)</sup>		578	D	\$79.40	7 16,041		D		
Common Stock 02/09/2			/2010	:010		S		2,986	D	\$80.4547		,055		D				
		-	Table II								posed of, converti			Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)				6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ate	7. Title and Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e C S Illy C O	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$56.675	02/05/2010			M <sup>(1)</sup>			10,000	09/17/2	004	09/17/2011	Common Stock	10,000	\$0	0		D	
Stock Option (Right to	\$53.455	02/05/2010			M <sup>(1)</sup>			9,000	09/08/2	800	09/08/2011	Common Stock	9,000	\$0	0		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Exercise of stock options awarded under the issuer's employee stock option plan.
- 2. 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.
- 3. Sale of shares (with proceeds delivered to the Company) for payment of tax liability above minimum required statutory withholding (but not in excess of full applicable statutory tax rates) incident to the exercise of the option under the issuer's employee stock option plan.

## Remarks:

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney

02/09/2010

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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