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 Addre	1 0		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO</u> [CL]		ationship of Reporting P k all applicable) Director	erson(s) to Issuer 10% Owner
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	_ x	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)
C/O COLGATE 300 PARK AVE		E COMPANY	12/02/2008		Sr VP, Gen Counse	el & Secretary
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indi Line)	vidual or Joint/Group Fil	ing (Check Applicable
(Street) NEW YORK	NY	10022		X	Form filed by One Re	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	—		Form filed by More th Person	ian One Reporting

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	3. Transa		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
	(month/bay/rear)	(Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)		5)			Owned Following Reported	(I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
		Code V Amount (A) or (D) Price Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			. ,					
Common Stock	12/02/2008		F ⁽¹⁾		136	D	\$62.65	156,594	D	
Common Stock								272	Ι	By Spouse ⁽²⁾
Common Stock								3,761	Ι	By son

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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. Transa Code (8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ired r ssed) : 3, 4		7. Title Amour Securi Underl Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties ying tive ty (Instr. 3	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(S) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Payment of Medicare and income tax liability by withholding shares of stock from restricted shares previously granted under the issuer's Executive Incentive Compensation Plan. Mr. Hendry's holding of Colgate shares increased after the combination of this withholding and the original grant. Mr. Hendry continues to hold the restricted shares originally granted, less the amount of this required tax withholding. 2. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of such securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

Remarks:

Nina D. Gillman by power of

attorney

** 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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