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*  HANCOCK ELLEN M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]									10% Ow	10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O COLGATE PALMOLIVE COMPANY					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2010							Officer below)	(give title		Other (s	pecify		
300 PARK AVENUE						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10022		10022									X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
(City)	(Si	ate)	(Zip)															
		Tab	le I - Non-De	rivativ	e Se	curitie	s A	cquired, Di	sposed o	of, or Bei	neficial	ly Owned	l					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,		Code (Instr. 5)			Beneficia	es Form ally (D) of Following (I) (III		Direct Cluber of tr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
							Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			msu. 4)			
	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		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exerci Expiration Da (Month/Day/Yo	te	d 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	e Owi s Fori lily Dire or li (I) (I	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	Amount or Number of Shares							
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$81.2	02/17/2010		A <sup>(1)</sup>		4,000		02/17/2011 <sup>(2)</sup>	02/17/2020	Common Stock	4,000	\$0	4,000		D			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Annual Stock Option granted under the 2005 Colgate-Palmolive Company Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan.
- 2. Option becomes exercisable in one-third increments on each anniversary date, with the first third becoming exercisable on the date shown in this column.

## Remarks:

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

02/19/2010

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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