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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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<u>Williamson Francis M</u>	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 12/09/2010		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO</u> [CL]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) COLGATE PALMOLIVE COMPANY			4. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) Director	10% Owne	r (Mon	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
300 PARK AVENUE			X Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)	· [0.110	dividual or Joint cable Line)	/Group Filing (Check
(Street)			VP Fin.& Strat. Plan	. Lat. Am.	x	Form filed by	y One Reporting Person
NEW YORK NY 10022						Form filed by Reporting P	y More than One erson
(City) (State) (Zip)							
٢	able I - Noi	n-Deriva	tive Securities Beneficial	y Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownersh Form: Direc or Indirect ((Instr. 5)	ect (D) (Instr. 5)		Beneficial Ownership
Common Stock			91,603	D			
Common Stock			10,488	Ι	I By Issuer's 401(k)		Plan Trustee
Series B Convertible Preference Stock			4,745	Ι	By Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee		
(e.			e Securities Beneficially ants, options, convertible		5)		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securit Underlying Derivative Securit		4. Conversion or Exercise	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Series B Convertible Preference Stock Units	(1)	(1)	Series B Convertible Preference Stock	124	0	D	
Stock Option (Right to Buy)							
Stock Option (Right to Duy)	09/17/2004 ⁽²⁾	09/17/2011	Common Stock	22,000	56.675	D	
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Explanation of Responses:

1. The reported Preference Stock units were acquired under the Issuer's Supplemental Savings & Investment Plan and will be settled upon the reporting person's retirement or other termination of service.

2. Option became 100% exercisable on the date shown in this column.

3. 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 Huffman by Power of 12/20/2010 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 5 (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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

FORMS 3, 4 AND 5

I, Franmcis M. Williamson, an officer of Colgate-Palmolive Company (the "Company"), do hereby appoint Andrew D. Hendry, Katherine Hargrove Ramundo, Nina Huffman, Joyce McCarthy, Kristine Hutchinson and J. Thomas Yust, and each of them, as my true and lawful attorneys with the power to execute and file on my behalf and in my place and stead, as I myself could do if I were personally present, any Form 3, 4 or 5, any and all amendments thereto and any documents in connection therewith, to be filed by me with thehe Securities Exchange Commission pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in connection with my ownership, either directly or indirectly, or any change therein, of securities of the Company.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in force and effect for as long as I continue to be an officer of the Company or until earlier revoked by me in writing and shall not otherwise be affected by my subsequent disability or incompetence.

In witness whereof, I have signed this instrument on December 15, 2010.

Signature: /s/ Francis M. Williamson Print Name: Francis M. Williamson