SEC Form 3

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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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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] WENTZ HOWARD B JR	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 06/09/2005		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY			4. Relationship of Reporting Perso (Check all applicable) X Director	10% Owner		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
300 PARK AVENUE			Officer (give title below)	Other (spe below)		Individual or Join plicable Line)	t/Group Filing (Check	
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10022							y One Reporting Person y More than One erson	
(City) (State) (Zip)								
	Table I - Noi	n-Derivat	ive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Istr. 5)		
Common Stock			30,644	D	D			
Common Stock			540	I	I By Spouse			
(e			e Securities Beneficially Ints, options, convertible		s)			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins		4. Conversio or Exercis	e Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiratior Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	02/17/2003 ⁽¹⁾	05/04/2007	Common Stock	4,000	54.75	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	02/20/2004 ⁽¹⁾	05/04/2007	Common Stock	4,000	59.75	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/07/2004 ⁽¹⁾	05/04/2007	Common Stock	4,000	55.725	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/07/2004 ⁽¹⁾	05/04/2007	Common Stock	4,000	50.89	D		
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	05/07/2004 ⁽¹⁾	05/04/2007	Common Stock	4,000	55.415	D		

Explanation of Responses:

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

Remarks:

Andrew D. Hendry by power

of attorney

06/17/2005

** 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, Howard B. Wentz, Jr., a Director of Colgate-Palmolive Company (the "Company"), do hereby appoint Andrew D. Hendry, Nina D. Gillman, Joyce M. McCarthy and J. Thomas Yust, severally, 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 to be filed by me 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 a member of the Board of Directors 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 June 9, 2005.

/s/ Howard B. Wentz, Jr. Howard B. Wentz, Jr.