FORM 4

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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  GARCIA FABIAN T					CC	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]									k all app Dire	olicable) ctor er (give title	g Person(s) to I 10% ( Other below	Owner (specify
	Fii GATE-PAI K AVENUI	LMOLIVE COM	Middle) <mark>IPANY</mark>		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/ 03/01/2010						n/Day/Year)				C.O.O. Europe, Mkting, Tech.		<b>'</b>	
(Street) NEW YC			.0022		4. If	Amer	ndment,	Date of	of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
(City)	(51		Zip) e I - No	on-Deriv	ative	Sec	uritie	s Ac	nuirec	l. Di	sposed o	f. or B	enefi	 cially	Own	ed e		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a			r	5. Amount of		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Pric	е	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(111511.4)
Common Stock 03			03/01/2	03/01/2010				<b>F</b> <sup>(1)</sup>		1,207	D	\$8	33.79	79 103,018		D		
Common	Common Stock 03/02/			03/02/2	010				<b>S</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		182	D	\$83	102,836		02,836	D	
Common Stock															525	I	By Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
1. Title of Derivative Conversion Date 3A. Deemed Execution Date, Transaction			Transa Code (I	saction e (Instr.  Solution e (Instr.)  Solution of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		ite	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Deri Sec (Ins	rice of ivative urity tr. 5)	derivative Securities	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Payment of tax liability by withholding shares of stock from award of restricted shares vesting under the issuer's stockholder-approved Executive Incentive Compensation Plan. The overall net effect of the vesting of restricted shares, after the withholding and sale of shares to pay income taxes associated with such vesting reported on this Form, was to increase Mr. Garcia's non-restricted holdings (i.e., common shares held outright) of Colgate stock.
- 2. 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) resulting from vesting of award of restricted shares under the Company's stockholder-approved Executive Incentive Compensation Plan. The overall net effect of the vesting of restricted shares, after the withholding and sale of shares to pay income taxes associated with such vesting reported on this Form, was to increase Mr. Garcia's non-restricted holdings (i.e., shares held outright) of Colgate common stock.

## Remarks:

Nina D. Gillman by power of <u>attorney</u>

03/03/2010

\*\* 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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