#### FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WHEELER ROBERT C					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [ CL ]								(Che	eck all ap	olicable)	g Person(s) to Is 10% C Other			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/01/2006										ceo, Hill's Pet Nutrition			
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10022					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(St		Zip)																
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
Date			Date	ite		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a				Secui Bene	ties cially I Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Pric	Price		action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)				
Common	Stock			03/01/2	006				F <sup>(1)</sup>		1,689	D	\$	\$54.72		10,008	D		
Common	Stock			03/02/2	2006				<b>S</b> <sup>(2)</sup>		538	D	\$5	4.433	36 2	6 209,470 D			
Common Stock																570	I	By Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee	
Common Stock																124	I	By Hill's 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 Security Or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) If any				5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		. 3	. Price of perivative lecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Flowing Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
				Code	ode V (A) (D)		Date Expiration Exercisable Date		Title	Numb of Share									

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Payment of tax liability by withholding shares of stock from performance-based 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. Wheeler'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 performance-based 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. Wheeler's non-restricted holdings (i.e., shares held outright) of Colgate common

# Remarks:

Nina D. Gillman by power of

03/03/2006

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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