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*						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL]								eck all appli Directo	Person(s) to Issuer		,	
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2009								X Officer (give title below) Other (specibelow) Pres., Glob. Bus. Dev. & Tech.				
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10022					4.	Line									ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(5			on-Deri	vativ	e Se	curi	ties Ac	auirea	 I. Di	sposed o	f. or Be	neficial	lv Owned	1			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					action	2/ Ex ur) if a	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4		(A) or	5. Amount of		6. Ownersh Form: Direc (D) or Indire (I) (Instr. 4)	t of Inc	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
						ľ			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)		(Instr	. 4)
Common Stock 02/06/3					5/2009				M ⁽¹⁾		20,000	A	\$55.65	63 77	,735	D		
Common Stock 02/06/2					/2009	009			F ⁽²⁾		17,982	D	\$65.6	59,753		D		
Common Stock 02/09					/2009				S ⁽³⁾		305	D	\$64.49	56 59	,448	D		
Common Stock														1,	189	I	By Issue 401(Plan Trus	(k)
		-	Table II								posed of, convertil			Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea		4. Transactio Code (Ins 8)				6. Date Expirati (Month)	ion Da		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly Owner Form Direct or Inc. (I) (In	rship of I Bei (D) Ow irect (In:	. Nature Indirect eneficial vnership str. 4)
					Code	le V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	er				
Stock Option (Right to	\$55.6563	02/06/2009		M ⁽¹⁾				20,000	09/09/2	2002	09/09/2009	Common Stock	20,000	\$0	0	I		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Exercise of stock options awarded under the issuer's employee stock option plan.
- 2. The exercise price of the options and related withholding requirement was satisfied by the Company's withholding shares otherwise deliverable upon exercise of the options.
- 3. 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) incident to the exercise of the option under the issuer's employee stock option plan.

Remarks:

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

02/10/2009

** 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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