

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
Hockaday Irvine O Jr

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC [EL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

2600 GRAND AVENUE, SUITE 450

08/23/2012

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

KANSAS CITY, MO 64108

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	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 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Class A Common Stock					34,650	D	
Class A Common Stock	08/23/2012		M	10,000 A	\$ 23.32 44,650	D	
Class A Common Stock	08/23/2012		M	10,000 A	\$ 35.51 54,650	D	
Class A Common Stock	08/23/2012		S	9,870 D	\$ 44,780	D	

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Common Stock						59.57	
Class A Common Stock	08/23/2012	S	40	D	\$ 59.5	44,740	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
						Code	V	(A)	(D)
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 23.32 <u>(1)</u>	08/23/2012		M	10,000	11/13/2010	11/13/2019	Class A Common Stock	10,000
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35.51 <u>(1)</u>	08/23/2012		M	10,000	11/09/2011	11/09/2020	Class A Common Stock	10,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hockaday Irvine O Jr 2600 GRAND AVENUE, SUITE 450 KANSAS CITY, MO 64108			X	

## Signatures

Irvine O. Hockaday, Jr., by Spencer G. Smul,  
Attorney-in-fact

08/27/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* 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).

(1) Stock Options granted pursuant to the Issuer's Non-Employee Director Share Incentive Plan.

(2) Not applicable.

(3) The Reporting Person also has options to purchase 4,576 shares of Class A Common Stock, none of which are exercisable.

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