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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Samuel Derrick E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL]

(Middle)

(Check all applicable)

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE

(First)

COMPANY, 300 PARK AVENUE

(Street)

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

03/01/2010

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

Pres. Colgate Greater Asia

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

Applicable Line)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispo (Instr. 3,	esed of 4 and (A) or		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)
Common Stock	03/01/2010		F(1)	931	D	\$ 83.79	39,045	D	
Common Stock	03/02/2010		S(2)	235	D	\$ 83.7756	38,810	D	
Common Stock							1,850	I	By Spouse
Common Stock							798	I	By Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee

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

 Title of 	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	:	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Tit	le and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transa	ction	Number	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	,	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Unde	rlying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Derivative	•		Secur	rities	(Instr. 5)
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						4, and 5)					
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							Date	Expiration		or	
							Exercisable Date	•	Title	Number	
									of		
				Code	V	(A) (D)				Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Samuel Derrick E COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022

Pres. Colgate Greater Asia

Signatures

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney 03/03/2010

**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).
- 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. Samuel'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. Samuel's

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non-restricted holdings (i.e., shares held outright) of Colgate common stock.

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