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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 \*  
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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY, 300 PARK AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
07/31/2012

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

Pres. Colgate Europe

(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

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(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)	(A) or (D)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	Price		
Common Stock	07/31/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>		13,000	\$ 60.68	55,824	D
Common Stock	07/31/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>		12,000	\$ 55.11	67,824	D
Common Stock	07/31/2012		F <sup>(2)</sup>		9,779	\$ 107.36	58,045	D
Common Stock	07/31/2012		F <sup>(2)</sup>		8,672	\$ 107.36	49,373	D
Common Stock							222	I

By Issuer's 401(k)

Plan  
Trustee

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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 60.68	07/31/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	13,000	09/07/2009 09/07/2012	Common Stock	13,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 55.11	07/31/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	12,000	09/12/2005 09/12/2012	Common Stock	12,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
de Guillenchmidt Alec COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022			Pres. Colgate Europe	

## Signatures

Nina Huffman by power of attorney  
08/02/2012

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) Exercise of stock options awarded under the issuer's employee stock option plan.
  - (2) Withholding of shares (with proceeds delivered to the issuer) for payment of the exercise price of options under the issuer's employee stock option plan and the related tax withholding.

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