

HOFFMAN PETER K  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
HOFFMAN PETER K

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
PRUDENTIAL TOWER  
BUILDING - 42  
(Street)

BOSTON, MA 021998004

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GILLETTE CO [G]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
11/29/2004

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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		
				Code	V	Amount	
Common Stock \$1 Par value	11/29/2004		M		\$ 20.985	47,861	D
Common Stock \$1 Par value	11/29/2004		F		\$ 43.05	37,186	D
Common Stock \$1 Par value	11/29/2004		S		\$ 43	28,303	D
Common Stock \$1						4,595	I
							By Daughter

Par value				
Common Stock \$1 Par value	2,312.3	I		By ESOP Trust <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock \$1 Par value	25,745	I		By Savings Plan Trust - 401(k) <sup>(2)</sup>

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.985	11/29/2004		M	22,000	06/15/1996 06/14/2005	Common Stock \$1 Par value 22,000

## Reporting Owners

### Reporting Owner Name / Address

### Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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PRUDENTIAL TOWER BUILDING - 42  
BOSTON, MA 021998004

President Grooming

## Signatures

/s/ Hoffman,  
Peter

12/01/2004

Date

\_\_Signature of  
Reporting Person

## 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) Balance includes shares acquired from regular quarterly dividends converted to new shares.
- (2) Routine acquisitions under 401(k) plan exempt under rule 16b-3(c).

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