#### **COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO**

Form 4 August 16, 2010

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).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HANCOCK ELLEN M			2. Issue Symbol	r Name <b>ar</b>	d Ticker or Trading	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			COLGA	ATE PAI	LMOLIVE CO [CL]	(Chec	ck all applicabl	le)	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date o	f Earliest 7	Transaction				
			(Month/I	Day/Year)		_X_ Director	109		
C/O COLGATE PALMOLIVE			08/12/2010			Officer (give below)	e title Oth below)	her (specify	
COMPAN	Y, 300 PARK	AVENUE				below)	below)		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficia	ally Owne	
1.Title of	2. Transaction	Date 2A. Deem	ed	3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6.	7. Natui	
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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired n(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	08/12/2010		M(1)	4,000	A	\$ 59.75	77,514	D	
Common Stock	08/12/2010		F(2)	3,104	D	\$ 77.02	74,410	D	

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number stiom Derivative Securities (a) Acquired (b) Acquired (c) Or (c) Disposed of (c) Disposed of (d)		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
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 59.75	08/12/2010		M <u>(1)</u>		4,000	02/20/2004	02/20/2011	Common Stock	4,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HANCOCK ELLEN M C/O COLGATE PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022	X					

## **Signatures**

Nina D. Gillman by power of 08/16/2010 attorney

\*\*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 Non-Employee Director stock option plan.
- (2) The exercise price of the options was satisfied by the Company's withholding shares otherwise deliverable upon exercise of the options.

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