

HICKEY DENNIS J  
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 \*  
**HICKEY DENNIS J**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY, 300 PARK AVENUE**

(Street)

**NEW YORK, NY 10022**

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

**COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL]**

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

**05/05/2011**

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)

Chief Financial Officer

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

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**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/05/2011		M <sup>(1)</sup>		29,000	A	\$ 56.675
Common Stock	05/05/2011		M <sup>(1)</sup>		27,500	A	\$ 53.455
Common Stock	05/05/2011		F <sup>(2)</sup>		45,837	D	\$ 84.9
Common Stock							22,981

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)

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)	\$ 56.675	05/05/2011		M <sup>(1)</sup>	29,000	09/17/2004 09/17/2011	Common Stock	29,000
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.455	05/05/2011		M <sup>(1)</sup>	27,500	09/08/2008 09/08/2011	Common Stock	27,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
HICKEY DENNIS J C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022	Director 10% Owner Officer Chief Financial Officer

## Signatures

Nina Huffman by power of attorney 05/09/2011

\*\*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.

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- (2) The exercise price of the options and related withholding requirement was satisfied by the Company's withholding shares otherwise deliverable upon exercise of the options.

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