#### **COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO**

Form 4

February 01, 2012

## 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).

Common

Stock

01/31/2012

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HANCOCK ELLEN M			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)  C/O COLGATE PALMOLIVE  COMPANY, 300 PARK AVENUE		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	()		
			(Month/Day/Year) 01/31/2012	_X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting		
NEW YORK, NY 10022				Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - No	n-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	ired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			Code		4. Securities Acquired on (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	09/22/2011		G	V	278	D	\$0	76,476	D	
Common Stock	09/28/2011		G	V	337	D	\$ 0	76,139	D	
Common Stock	10/04/2011		G	V	348	D	\$ 0	75,791	D	
Common Stock	10/06/2011		G	V	140	D	\$ 0	75,651	D	

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Common Stock 01/31/2012 S(2) 2,473 D \$90.15 77,178 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)	Securities		vative Expiration Date ies (Month/Day/Year) ed ed of		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)	\$ 55.725	01/31/2012		M(1)		4,000	02/19/2005	02/19/2012	Common Stock	4,000

# **Reporting Owners**

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

## **Signatures**

Nina Huffman by power of attorney 02/01/2012

\*\*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 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan.

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(2) Sale of shares with the proceeds delivered to the issuer for payment of the exercise price of options under the issuer's Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan.

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