de Guillenchmidt Alec Form 4 May 14, 2009

### FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * de Guillenchmidt Alec			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)  COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY, 300 PARK AVENUE			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/12/2009					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
NEW YOR		endment, Donth/Day/Yea		al		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tal	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		n Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit DISPOS (Instr. 3, 4	ed of	Price	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)	
Common Stock	05/12/2009			S	12,013	D	\$ 61.771:	5 29,485	D		
Common Stock								138	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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Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Tear)	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of			Under Secur	rlying	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

### **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 & So.Pac.

## **Signatures**

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney

05/14/2009

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

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