

MARTIN RONALD T
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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 *
MARTIN RONALD T

(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)

05/06/2009

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)

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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	Price	
Common Stock	05/06/2009		M ⁽¹⁾		7,925	A \$ 56.565	17,218 D
Common Stock	05/06/2009		M ⁽¹⁾		6,667	A \$ 52.675	23,885 D
Common Stock	05/06/2009		M ⁽¹⁾		4,000	A \$ 53.455	27,885 D
Common Stock	05/06/2009		F ⁽²⁾		17,293	D \$ 61.35	10,592 D
Common Stock	05/07/2009		S ⁽³⁾		104	D \$ 61.9118	10,488 D

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Common Stock		1,700	I	By Issuer's 401(k) Plan Trustee
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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 56.565	05/06/2009		M ⁽¹⁾	7,925	09/11/2006 09/11/2009	Common Stock	7,925
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 52.675	05/06/2009		M ⁽¹⁾	6,667	12/11/2006 12/11/2009	Common Stock	6,667
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 53.455	05/06/2009		M ⁽¹⁾	4,000	09/08/2008 09/08/2011	Common Stock	4,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
MARTIN RONALD T C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE			VP Global Soc. Responsibility	

NEW YORK, NY 10022

Signatures

Nina D. Gillman by power of
attorney

05/08/2009

__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.
- (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.
- (3) Sale of shares (with proceeds delivered to the Company) for payment of tax liability above minimum required statutory withholding (but not in excess of full applicable statutory tax rates) incident to the exercise of the option under the issuer's employee stock option plan.

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