

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC
 Form 4
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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 *
 BOUSQUET CHAVANNE
 PATRICK

(Last) (First) (Middle)

THE ESTEE LAUDER
 COMPANIES INC., 767 FIFTH
 AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10153

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES
 INC [EL]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 09/28/2006

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)
 Group President

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 or Disposed of (A or 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 09/28/2006 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 10,000 A | \$ 32.15 | 11,322 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 09/28/2006 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 10,000 D | \$ 41 | 1,322 | D |

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) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------------|
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 32.15 | 09/28/2006 | | M ⁽¹⁾ | 10,000 | 07/10/2003 ⁽²⁾ 07/10/2012 | Class A Common Stock | 10,000 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BOUSQUET CHAVANNE PATRICK
THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC.
767 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, NY 10153

Group President

Signatures

Patrick Bousquet-Chavanne, by Charles E. Reese, II,
attorney-in-fact

09/29/2006

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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The exercise of the stock options and the sale of the underlying shares of Class A Common Stock were made pursuant to a plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1(c), previously entered into on September 8, 2006, at which time the Reporting Person was not aware of material nonpublic information.

(1) The options that were exercised were part of a grant of options that became exercisable in three tranches in respect of 33,333 on July 10, 2003, 33,333 on July 10, 2004, and 33,334 on July 10, 2005.

(3) Exercise of Stock Options.

(4) The Reporting Person also has options to purchase at various prices 657,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of which 456,999 are exercisable.

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