

Williamson Francis M  
 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 \*  
 Williamson Francis M

2. Issuer Name and 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  
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 09/08/2011

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 VP Fin.&Strat.Plan.Lat.Am.

NEW YORK, NY 10022

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code V Amount (D) Price   |  |   |

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 | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3)                           | Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8)<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed of<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | Code | V | (A)    | (D) | Date Exercisable          | Expiration<br>Date | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|--|------|---|--------|-----|---------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|
| Stock<br>Option<br>(Right to<br>Buy) | \$ 90.46                           | 09/08/2011       | A <sup>(1)</sup>   |      |   | 28,000 |     | 09/08/2012 <sup>(2)</sup> | 09/08/2017         | Common<br>Stock | 28,000                              |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| Williamson Francis M<br>COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY<br>300 PARK AVENUE<br>NEW YORK, NY 10022 |               |           | VP<br>Fin.&Strat.Plan.Lat.Am. |       |

## Signatures

Nina Huffman by Power of Attorney  
 09/12/2011  
\*\*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) Annual Stock Option granted under the issuer's 2005 Employee Stock Option Plan.
- (2) Option becomes exercisable in one-third increments on each anniversary date, with the first third becoming exercisable on the date shown in this column.

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