

COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO  
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**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 \*  
CAHILL JOHN 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)

08/01/2012

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)

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 (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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount or Price   |  |  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/01/2012                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 1,000 A \$ 55.015   | 10,671   | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/01/2012                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 4,000 A \$ 54.7   | 14,671   | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/01/2012                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 4,000 A \$ 61.1   | 18,671   | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/01/2012                           |  | S <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 1,000 D \$ 107.5453   | 17,671   | D  |
| Common Stock                    | 08/01/2012                           |  | S <sup>(2)</sup>               |   | 4,000 D \$ 107.5491   | 13,671   | D  |

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|              |            |  |              |       |   |            |        |   |          |
|--------------|------------|--|--------------|-------|---|------------|--------|---|----------|
| Common Stock | 08/01/2012 |  | <u>S</u> (2) | 4,000 | D | \$ 107.514 | 9,671  | D |          |
| Common Stock |            |  |              |       |   |            | 12,500 | I | In Trust |

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)                | \$ 55.015  | 08/01/2012                           |  | M(1)                           | 1,000   | 12/01/2008 12/01/2015                                    | Common Stock  | 1,000                         |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 54.7  | 08/01/2012                           |  | M(1)                           | 4,000   | 02/17/2009 02/17/2016                                    | Common Stock  | 4,000                         |
| Stock Option (Right to Buy)                | \$ 61.1  | 08/01/2012                           |  | M(1)                           | 4,000   | 02/17/2012 02/17/2019                                    | Common Stock  | 4,000                         |

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

CAHILL JOHN T  
C/O COLGATE PALMOLIVE COMPANY  
300 PARK AVENUE

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NEW YORK, NY 10022

## Signatures

Nina Huffman by power of  
attorney

08/03/2012

\_\_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.
  - (2) Sale of shares with a portion of the proceeds delivered to the issuer for payment of the exercise price of options under the issuer's Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan.  
  
Weighted average price, as these shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$107.54 to \$107.5759, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to the issuer, any security holder of the issuer, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, additional information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in this footnote.
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