

STERKENBURG ALBERT

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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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 STERKENBURG ALBERT

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
 DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL
 INC /DE/ [XRAY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 221 WEST PHILADELPHIA
 STREET, WEST
 BUILDING/DENTSPLY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 04/13/2012

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
 Senior VP

YORK, PA 17405

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

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)

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 (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)

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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. Date of Issuance or Maturity (Instr. 3 and 4)		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
PRSU	\$ 40.13	04/13/2012		A		7.439 <u>(1)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	7.439	\$
RSU (Restricted Stock Unit)	\$ 40.13	04/13/2012		A		20.369 <u>(3)</u>		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(2)</u>	Common Stock	20.369	\$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STERKENBURG ALBERT 221 WEST PHILADELPHIA STREET WEST BUILDING/DENSPLY YORK, PA 17405			Senior VP	

Signatures

Deborah M. Rasin, POA for Albert
Sterkenburg

04/17/2012

 **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) Dividend on existing vested or unvested Performance based Restricted Stock Units (PRSUs) awarded to participant, payable as additional units of phantom stock.
- (2) Not applicable to this transaction.
- (3) Dividend on existing vested or unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) awarded to participant, payable as additional units of phantom stock.

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