

LAUDER LEONARD A  
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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 \*  
LAUDER LEONARD A

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
C/O THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC., 767 FIFTH AVENUE  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/17/2008

NEW YORK, NY 10153  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 (A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock	11/17/2008		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V 2,624,302 <u>(4)</u> <u>(9)</u>	D <u>(2)</u> 0	I <sup>(1)</sup>	by LAL Family Partners L.P.
Class A Common Stock					3,500,669	D <sup>(3)</sup> <u>(4)</u>	
Class A Common Stock					390,000	D <sup>(5)</sup> <u>(6)</u>	

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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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class B Common Stock	(7)	11/17/2008		G <sup>(1)</sup>	V		(7) (7)	Class A Common Stock	42,705,540 (1)
Class B Common Stock	(7)					(7)	(7)	Class A Common Stock	40,220

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAUDER LEONARD A C/O THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10153	X	X	Chairman	
LAUDER EVELYN H C/O THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10153			Senior Corp. Vice President	

## Signatures

Spencer G. Smul, Attorney-in-fact for Leonard A. Lauder  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
 Date: 11/25/2008

Spencer G. Smul, Attorney-in-fact for Evelyn H. Lauder  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person  
 Date: 11/25/2008

## 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).

For estate planning purposes, Leonard A. Lauder ("LAL") transferred his interest in LAL Family Corporation, which is the sole general partner of LAL Family Partners L.P. ("LALFP"), to the LAL 2008 Marital Trust ("LAL 2008 Trust"), an irrevocable trust established by

- (1) LAL for the benefit of his spouse, Evelyn H. Lauder ("EHL"), himself and his descendants. Neither LAL nor EHL serve as trustee of the LAL 2008 Trust. Consequently, LAL and EHL ceased to have a reportable ownership interest in the 2,624,302 shares of Class A Common Stock and 42,705,540 shares of Class B Common Stock of the Issuer that continue to be directly owned by LALFP.
- (2) Not applicable.
- (3) Owned by LAL directly. Owned by EHL indirectly, through LAL.
- (4) EHL disclaims beneficial ownership of securities owned directly and indirectly by her husband, LAL.
- (5) Owned by EHL directly. Owned by LAL indirectly, through EHL.
- (6) LAL disclaims beneficial ownership of securities owned by his wife, EHL.

There is no exercise or conversion price for the Class B Common Stock. Shares of Class B Common Stock (i) may be converted immediately on a one-for-one basis by the holder into shares of Class A Common stock and (ii) are automatically converted into Class A

- (7) Common Stock on a one-for-one basis upon transfer to a person or entity that is not a "Permitted (as defined in the Issuer's Restated Certificate of Incorporation) or soon after a record date for a meeting of stockholders where the outstanding Class B Common Stock constitutes less than 10% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock of the Issuer.
- (8) Owned by LAL individually as a trustee and beneficiary of The Estee Lauder 2002 Trust. Owned by EHL indirectly, through LAL.
- (9) LAL disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares to the extent that he does not have a pecuniary interest in such securities.

### Remarks:

Exhibit 99.1: Joint Filer Information, incorporated herein by reference.

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