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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Skala Justin

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(Middle) (First)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/11/2008

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)

Pres. Colgate Greater Asia

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY, 300 PARK AVENUE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial (I)

Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) 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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code 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 Derivative Security

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

or Disposed of (D)

(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)

(A)

Code V

(D) Date Exercisable Expiration

Title Date

Amount or Number

of Share

25,000

Stock

Option (Right to Buy)

\$79.52 09/11/2008  $A^{(1)}$ 25,000 09/11/2009(2) 09/11/2014

Common

Stock

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Skala Justin

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE

NEW YORK, NY 10022

Pres. Colgate Greater Asia

# **Signatures**

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney

09/15/2008

\*\*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).
- Annual Stock Option granted under the issuer's 2005 Employee Stock Option Plan.
- 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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