

STERNLICHT BARRY S

Form 4

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1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
STERNLICHT BARRY S2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
Symbol
ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES
INC [EL]5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

STARWOOD CAPITAL
GROUP, 591 W. PUTNAM AVE.3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/28/2005☒ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☐ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify
below)

(Street)

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

GREENWICH, CT 06830

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 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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(9-02)**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if	4. Transaction of	5. Number of Derivative	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative
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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)		Securiti (Instr. 3)		
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Units (Share Payout)	\$ 0	12/28/2005	A ⁽¹⁾		8.95		⁽²⁾	⁽²⁾	Class A Common Stock	8.95	\$ 33
Stock Units (Cash Payout)	\$ 0	12/28/2005	A ⁽¹⁾		36.02		⁽²⁾	⁽²⁾	Class A Common Stock	36.02	\$ 33

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
STERNLICHT BARRY S STARWOOD CAPITAL GROUP 591 W. PUTNAM AVE. GREENWICH, CT 06830	X			

Signatures

Barry S. Sternlicht, by Spencer G. Smul,
Attorney-in-fact

12/29/2005

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) Represents reinvestment of dividend equivalents on outstanding stock units.
- (2) The stock units will be paid out the first January 1 after the last date of the Reporting Person's service as a director of the Company.

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