#### MARK REUBEN

Form 4

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# FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad MARK REU	^	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO [CL]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
			(Month/Day/Year)	X Director 10% Owner			
C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE		OLIVE	10/25/2004	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)			
COMPANY,	300 PARK	AVENUE		Chairman and CEO			
	(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 Person			
NEW YORK, NY 10022							

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - No	n-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common	10/25/2004		Code A <u>(1)</u>	V	Amount 22	(A) or (D)	Price \$	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 5,997,381	D	
Stock Common Stock	11/03/2004		G	V		D	44.96 (2)	5,991,141	D	
Common Stock	11/12/2004		G	V	22	D	<u>(2)</u>	5,991,119	D	
Common Stock	11/18/2004		F(3)		2,277	D	\$ 47.23	5,988,842	D	
Common Stock								126,869	I	By Issuer's 401(k)

Plan

Trustee

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsnips					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MARK REUBEN						
C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY	X		Chairman			
300 PARK AVENUE	Λ		and CEO			
NEW YORK, NY 10022						

## **Signatures**

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney 11/22/2004

\*\*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) Exempt purchase from the issuer
- (2) Bona-fide Gift
- (3) Payment of tax liability by withholding shares of stock from restricted shares vesting under the issuer's Executive Incentive Compensation Plan.

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