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FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURIT								OMMISSION	OMB	3235-0287	
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Form 5 obligation may con <i>See</i> Insta 1(b).	ons Section 17(	a) of the	Public U	tility Ho	olding Co	mpar	•	Act of 1934, 1935 or Section )			
(Print or Type	Responses)										
MARTIN RONALD T Symb			Symbol	21 Ibbael Famile and French of Frading				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (	Middle)					J[CL]	(Check	all applicable	)	
				e of Earliest Transaction h/Day/Year) )/2007				Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title below) VP, Global Bus Prac & Publ Aff			
				Month/Day/Year)				<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tah	le I - Non	-Derivativ	e Secu		iired, Disposed of,	or Beneficial	v Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ned 1 Date, if	3.	4. Secur tionor Dispo (Instr. 3.	ities A osed of	cquired (A)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common					Amount	(D)	Price	(Insu: 5 and 4)			
Stock	09/10/2007			F <u>(1)</u>	295	D	\$ 66.69	5,183	D		
Common Stock	09/11/2007			S <u>(2)</u>	46	D	\$ 67.2333	5,137	D		
Common Stock								1,518	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed		Date	Amou Unde Secur	le and int of rlying ities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans
				of (D)						(Instr
				(Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				4, and 5)						
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

<b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
MARTIN RONALD T C/O COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY 300 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10022			VP, Global Bus Prac & Publ Aff	l			
Signatures							

Nina D. Gillman by power of attorney

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

09/12/2007 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).

Payment of tax liability by withholding shares of stock from award of restricted shares vesting under the issuer's stockholder-approved Executive Incentive Compensation Plan. The overall net effect of the vesting of restricted shares, after the withholding and sale of shares (1) to pay income taxes associated with such vesting reported on this Form, was to increase Mr. Martin's non-restricted holdings (i.e.,

common shares held outright) of Colgate stock.

Sale of shares (with proceeds delivered to the Company) for payment of tax liability above minimum required statutory withholding (but not in excess of full applicable statutory tax rates) resulting from vesting of award of restricted shares under the Company's

(2) stockholder-approved Executive Incentive Compensation Plan. The overall net effect of the vesting of restricted shares, after the withholding and sale of shares to pay income taxes associated with such vesting reported on this Form, was to increase Mr. Martin's non-restricted holdings (i.e., shares held outright) of Colgate common stock.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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