

STERNLICHT BARRY S  
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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 \*  
STERNLICHT BARRY S

2. 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)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/10/2005

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

STARWOOD CAPITAL GROUP, 591 W. PUTNAM AVE.

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
Class A Common Stock	11/10/2005		A <sup>(1)</sup>	2,000	A	\$ 42.5	27,000	D	
Class A Common Stock	08/20/2004		P	6,000	A	\$ 42.5	6,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	1999 Sternlicht Family Trust 1
Class A Common Stock	08/20/2004		P	6,000	A	\$ 42.5	6,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	1999 Sternlicht Family Trust 2

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Class A Common Stock	08/20/2004	P	6,000	A	\$ 42.5	6,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	1999 Sternlicht Family Trust 3
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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)	Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Units (cash payout)	\$ 0 <sup>(3)</sup>	11/10/2005		A	605.79 <sup>(4)</sup>	<sup>(5)</sup>	<sup>(5)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	605.79
Stock Units (share payout)	\$ 0 <sup>(6)</sup>	11/10/2005		A	747.34	<sup>(7)</sup>	<sup>(7)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	747.34
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 33.84	11/10/2005		A	5,000	11/10/2006	11/10/2015	Class A Common Stock	5,000

## 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 Robin S. Elkowitz,  
Attorney-in-fact

11/11/2005

\_\_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) Granted pursuant to the Issuer's Non-Employee Director Share Incentive Plan.
- (2) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of such shares to the extent he does not have a pecuniary interest in such shares.
- (3) Each stock unit (cash payout) is convertible into cash equal to the value of one share of Class A Common Stock (i.e. 1:1).
- (4) Reflects grant of stock units in lieu of cash for quarterly board and committee retainers.
- (5) The stock units (cash payout) will be paid out the first January 1 after the last date of the Reporting Person's service as a director of the Company.
- (6) Each stock unit (share payout) is convertible into cash equal to the value of one share of Class A Common Stock (i.e. 1:1).
- (7) The stock units (share payout) will be paid out the first business day of the calendar year after the last date of the Reporting Person's service as a director of the company.

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