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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**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 \*  
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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)  
10/16/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Exec. VP, Gen. Counsel & Secty

THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC., 767 FIFTH AVENUE

(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

NEW YORK, NY 10153

(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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock	10/16/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	100 A \$ 17	56,192	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/16/2012		S <sup>(1)</sup>	100 D \$ 65	56,092	D	
Class A Common Stock	10/17/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	217 A \$ 17	56,309	D	

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Class A  
Common Stock 10/17/2012 S<sup>(1)</sup> 217 D \$ 65 56,092 D

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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/16/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	100	01/01/2011 <sup>(2)</sup> 09/02/2019	Class A Common Stock	100
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 17 <sup>(2)</sup>	10/17/2012		M <sup>(1)</sup>	217	01/01/2011 <sup>(2)</sup> 09/02/2019	Class A Common Stock	217

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MOSS SARA E  
THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC.  
767 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, NY 10153

Exec. VP, Gen. Counsel & Secty

## Signatures

Sara E. Moss, by Spencer G. Smul,  
attorney-in-fact

10/18/2012

\*\*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) The exercise of the options and sales of the shares of Class A Common Stock were made pursuant to a plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1(c), previously entered into on August 16, 2012.  

Stock Options granted pursuant to Fiscal 2002 Share Incentive Plan in respect of 23,332 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2011; 23,334 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2012; and 23,334 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2013. This
- (2) option was previously reported as covering 11,666 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2011; 11,667 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2012; and 11,667 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2013 at an exercise price of \$34.00, but has been adjusted in this report to reflect the stock split that occurred on January 20, 2012.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) The Reporting Person also has options to purchase at various prices 294,499 shares of Class A Common Stock, 123,431 of which are currently exercisable.

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