

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC

Form 4

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**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
Lauder William P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE ESTEE LAUDER  
COMPANIES INC., 767 FIFTH  
AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10153

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
SymbolESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES  
INC [EL]3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)

05/24/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

President and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)			
			Code	V	Amount		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)**

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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)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class B Common Stock	\$ 0 <u>(1)</u>	05/24/2005		P <u>(2)</u>		128,000		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Class A Common Stock	128,000
Class B Common Stock	\$ 0 <u>(1)</u>							<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Class A Common Stock	1,914,608

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Lauder William P C/O THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10153	X	X	President and CEO	

## Signatures

/s/ William P. Lauder, by Spencer G. Smul, attorney  
in fact

05/26/2005

                    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) There is no exercise or conversion price for the Class B Common Stock. It is convertible into shares of Class A Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) On May 24, 2005, the Reporting Person purchased 128,000 shares of Class B Common Stock from the Reporting Person's uncle, Ronald S. Lauder, for a purchase price of \$39.25 per share (the closing price of the Class A Common Stock on May 24, 2005).
- Shares of Class B Common Stock may be converted immediately on a one-for-one basis by the holder and are automatically converted into Class A Common Stock on a one-for-one basis upon transfer to a person or entity that is not a "Permitted Transferee" or soon after a record date for a meeting of stockholders where the outstanding Class B Common Stock constitutes less than 10% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock of the Issuer.
- (3) The Reporting Person is a Trustee and beneficiary of the 1992 GRAT Remainder Trust f/b/o William Lauder (the "WL GRAT"). The
- (4) Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares owned by such trust to the extent he does not have a pecuniary interest in such securities.

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