

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC  
 Form 4  
 October 18, 2005

**FORM 4**

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

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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 \*  
 LAUDER RONALD 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)  
 10/18/2005

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
 Chairman Clinique Labs, LLC

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	
Class A Common Stock	10/18/2005		C <sup>(1)</sup>		250,000	A	\$ 0 307,553	D
Class A Common Stock	10/18/2005		J <sup>(2)</sup>		250,000	D	\$ 0 57,553 <sup>(3)</sup>	D
Class A Common Stock							3,182 <sup>(4)</sup>	I

By Descendants of RSL 1966 Trust



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On October 18, 2005, the Reporting Person converted 250,000 shares of Class B Common Stock into an equal number of shares of Class A Common Stock.

- (2) Delivery of shares by Reporting Person to satisfy, in part, stock loans entered into prior to the Issuer's initial public offering.
  - (3) The Reporting Person has a short position of 894,986 shares of Class A Common Stock established prior to the Issuer's initial public offering.
  - (4) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares to the extent he does not have a pecuniary interest in such securities.
  - (5) 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-to-one basis.
- 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.
- (6)

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