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### FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

Class A

Stock

Stock

Class A Common

Common

09/01/2010

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **MOSS SARA E** Issuer Symbol **ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES** (Check all applicable) INC [EL] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) THE ESTEE LAUDER 09/01/2010 EVP and General Counsel **COMPANIES INC., 767 FIFTH AVENUE** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10153 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct (Instr. 3) Code Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (D) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V

 $A^{(1)}$ 

 $F^{(2)}$ 

(D)

Amount

2,210

1,127

Price

\$0

15,406

14,279

D

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 58.08	09/01/2010		A	40,625	(3)	09/01/2020	Class A Common Stock	40,625
Restricted Stock Units (Share Payout)	\$ 0	09/01/2010		A	7,044	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock	7,044

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Director 10% Owner Officer

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

**EVP and General Counsel** 

#### **Signatures**

Sara E. Moss, by Spencer G. Smul, attorney-in-fact 09/03/2010

\*\*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) Reflects payout of performance share units ("PSUs") granted to Reporting Person on September 21, 2007. Aggregate target payout for the opportunities was 2,210 shares of Class A Common Stock.
- (2) Represents the withholding of shares for tax purposes in connection with the payout of the PSUs.
- (3) Stock options granted pursuant to Fiscal 2002 Share Incentive Plan in respect of 13,541 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2012; 13,542 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2013; and 13,542 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2014.

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Assuming continued employment, the restricted stock units granted on September 1, 2010 will vest and be paid out as follows: 2,348 on October 31, 2011, 2,348 on October 31, 2012, and 2,348 on October 31, 2013, or in each case the first day thereafter that shares may be sold pursuant to company policy. Assuming continued employment, the restricted stock units held by the Reporting Person will vest and

(4) be paid out as follows: 5,940 on November 1, 2010, 8,194 on October 31, 2011, 4,375 on October 31, 2012 and 2,348 on October 31, 2013, or in each case the first day thereafter that shares may be sold pursuant to company policy. Upon payout, shares will be withheld to cover minimum statutory tax obligations. Restricted stock units are accompanied by dividend equivalent rights that will be payable in cash at the time of payout of the related shares.

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