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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Trower Alexandra C.

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

(Middle)

(Zip)

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES

(Check all applicable)

INC [EL]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 09/04/2018

below) **EVP - Global Communications**

THE ESTEE LAUDER **COMPANIES INC., 767 FIFTH AVENUE**

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10153

(City)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

3. Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Transactionr Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) or Code V (D) Amount

Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Class A Common

Stock

Stock

09/04/2018

12,185 $A^{(1)}$ (1)

\$0 26,518 D

Class A Common

09/04/2018

 $F^{(2)}$

6,485

20,033

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)	\$ 138.15	09/04/2018		A	15,609 (3)	<u>(3)</u>	09/04/2028	Class A Common Stock	15,609
Restricted Stock Units (Share Payout)	\$ 0 (4)	09/04/2018		A	4,671 (5)	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Class A Common Stock	4,671

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		

Trower Alexandra C.
THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC.
767 FIFTH AVENUE

EVP - Global Communications

Signatures

NEW YORK, NY 10153

Alexandra C. Trower, by Maureen Sladek, attorney-in-fact 09/06/2018

**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 4, 2015.
- (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 5,203 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2020; 5,203 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2021; and 5,203 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2022.

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- (4) Not applicable.
 - Assuming continued employment, these Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") will vest and be paid out as follows: 1,557 on October 31, 2019;
- (5) 1,557 on November 2, 2020; and 1,557 on November 1, 2021. RSUs vest and are paid out in shares of Class A Common Stock on a one-to-one basis on the applicable vesting date. Upon payout, shares will be withheld to cover statutory tax obligations. RSUs 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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