

BRESTLE DANIEL J
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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 *
BRESTLE DANIEL J

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)

THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC., 767 FIFTH AVENUE

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/08/2007

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Chief Operating Officer

(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 (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock	03/08/2007		M ⁽¹⁾	20,000 A \$ 24.75	28,987	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/08/2007		S ⁽¹⁾	20,000 D \$ 47.2642	8,987	D	

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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)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.75	03/08/2007		M ⁽¹⁾	20,000	01/01/2001 ⁽³⁾ 07/01/2007	Class A Common Stock	20,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BRESTLE DANIEL J
THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC.
767 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, NY 10153

Chief Operating Officer

Signatures

Daniel J. Brestle, by Spencer G. Smul,
attorney-in-fact

03/08/2007

__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 stock options and the sale of the underlying shares of Class A Common Stock were made pursuant to a plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1(c), previously entered into on September 1, 2006.
- (2) See Exhibit 99.1.
- (3) The options that were exercised were part of a grant of options made to Mr. Brestle in 1997 that became exercisable in three tranches in respect of 33,333 on January 1, 2001, 33,333 on January 1, 2002, and 33,334 on January 1, 2003.
- (4) Exercise of stock options.
- (5) The Reporting Person also has options to purchase at various prices 960,000 shares of Class A Common Stock of which 760,000 are currently exercisable.

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