

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC
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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 William P

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)
09/13/2005

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
President and CEO

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
				Code	V	Amount	
Class A Common Stock	09/13/2005		M	50,000	A	\$ 13,218,240	D
Class A Common Stock						368,441	I by WPL GRAT, as Co-Trustee
Class A Common Stock						368,441	I by GML GRAT, as Co-Trustee

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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. 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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 13	09/13/2005		M	50,000	<u>(1)</u> 11/16/2005	Class A Common Stock	50,000

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

William P. Lauder, by Robin S. Elkowitz,
attorney-in-fact

09/14/2005

__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) The options that were exercised were granted on November 16, 1995 pursuant to the Fiscal 1996 Share Incentive Plan. No shares remain from this grant.
- (2) Exercise of stock options granted to the Reporting Person by the Issuer on November 16, 1995.
- (3) Mr. Lauder also has options to purchase 1,080,000 shares of Class A Common Stock at various exercise prices of which 578,666 are exercisable.

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