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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LAUDER AERIN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES

(Check all applicable)

INC [EL]

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

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

(Month/Day/Year) 12/03/2007

(Middle)

(Zip)

C/O 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) (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) Code V Amount (D)

53

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

Class A Common

12/03/2007

 \mathbf{C} 139

Α (1)

139

Stock Class A

Common 12/03/2007 Stock

 $F^{(2)}$

86

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 conf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Expiration I (Month/Day | xpiration Date U | | 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 | |
| Restricted Stock Units (Share Payout) | (1) | 12/03/2007 | | M | 139 (3) | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Class A Common Stock | 139 | |
| Class B Common Stock | <u>(5)</u> | | | | | <u>(5)</u> | (5) | Class A Common Stock | 750,000 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|
| Reporting Owner Funds / Funds | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | |
| LAUDER AERIN C/O THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10153 | X | | | | |

Signatures

Aerin Lauder Zinterhofer, by Charles E. Reese, II, Attorney-in-fact

**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) Not applicable. Restricted stock units vest and are paid out in shares of Class A Common Stock on a one-to-one basis on the applicable vesting date.
- (2) Represents the withholding of shares for tax purposes.
- (3) Vesting of a portion of the restricted stock units granted September 20, 2006.

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- Assuming continued employment, the restricted stock units will vest and be paid out as follows: 278 on October 31, 2008, 278 on (4) November 2, 2009, and 139 on November 1, 2010, 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.
- There is no exercise or conversion price for the Class B Common Stock. 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.

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