KUNES RICHARD W

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Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KUNES RICHARD W

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) 09/02/2009

X_ Officer (give title below)

Director

10% Owner _ Other (specify

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

EVP and CFO

Applicable Line)

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

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10153

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly 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)	Fransaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A Common Stock	09/02/2009		A <u>(1)</u>	2,962 (1)	A	\$ 0	18,199	D	
Class A Common Stock	09/02/2009		F(2)	1,111	D	\$ 34.21	17,088	D	
Class A Common Stock							6,440	I	Shares held by spouse

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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 orDerivative 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)	\$ 34	09/02/2009		A	60,000	(3)	09/02/2019	Class A Common Stock	60,000
Restricted Stock Units (Share Payout)	\$ 0	09/02/2009		A	10,421	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock	10,421
Restricted Stock Units (Share Payout)	\$ 0	09/03/2009		A	3,637	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock	3,637

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Kelauonsinps					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
KUNES RICHARD W THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10153			EVP and CFO			
Signatures						

Richard W. Kunes, by Charles E. Reese, II 09/04/2009 attorney-in-fact

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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 20, 2006. Aggregate target payout for the opportunities was 9,157 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 20,000 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2011; 20,000 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2012; 20,000 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2013.
 - Assuming continued employment, the restricted stock units granted on September 2, 2009 and September 3, 2009 will vest and be paid out as follows: 4,564 on November 1, 2010, 6,020 on October 31, 2011, and 3,474 on October 31, 2012, or in each case the first day
- (4) 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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