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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DiGeso Amy

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) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(Month/Day/Year)

09/01/2010

below) **EVP - Global Human Resources**

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

(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(Zip)

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Securities Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

(A) Code V (D) Price Amount

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Class A Common 09/02/2010 Stock

2,210 $A^{(1)}$

\$0 13,906 D

Class A Common

Stock

09/02/2010

 $F^{(2)}$

1,127

12,779

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. Transaction 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)	\$ 58.08	09/01/2010		A	40,541	(3)	09/01/2020	Class A Common Stock	40,541
Restricted Stock Units (Share Payout)	\$ 0	09/01/2010		A	7,029	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock	7,029

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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DiGeso Amy

THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC.

767 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, NY 10153

Signatures

By: Amy DiGeso by Spencer G. Smul,

attorney-in-fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

09/03/2010

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 21, 2007. Aggregate target payout for the opportunities was 2,210 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 13,513 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2012; 13,514 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2013; and 13,514 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2014.

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- Assuming continued employment, the restricted stock units granted on September 1, 2010 will vest and be paid out as follows: 2,343 on October 31, 2011, 2,343 on October 31, 2012, and 2,343 on October 31, 2013, or in each case the first day thereafter that shares may be sold pursuant to company policy. Assuming continued employment, the restricted stock units held by the Reporting Person will vest and
- (4) be paid out as follows: 5,745 on November 1, 2010, 7,735 on October 31, 2011, 4,370 on October 31, 2012 and 2,343 on October 31, 2013, 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. 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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