

BRESTLE DANIEL J  
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**FORM 4**

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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)  
08/19/2005

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Group President

(Street)  
NEW YORK, NY 10153

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

(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 or Price		
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		M		\$ 66,666	A	72,033
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S		\$ 41.6	D	71,133
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S		\$ 41.61	D	69,433

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Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	2,700	D	\$ 41.62	66,733	D
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	3,300	D	\$ 41.63	63,433	D
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	900	D	\$ 41.64	62,533	D
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	3,500	D	\$ 41.65	59,033	D
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	200	D	\$ 41.56	58,833	D
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	200	D	\$ 41.67	58,633	D
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	4,200	D	\$ 41.68	54,433	D
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	3,400	D	\$ 41.69	51,033	D
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	43,566	D	\$ 41.7	7,467	D
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	2,000	D	\$ 41.71	5,467	D
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2005		S	100	D	\$ 41.72	5,367	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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 21.375	08/19/2005	M	66,666					01/01/2000 <sup>(1)</sup>	07/01/2006	Class A Common Stock	66,666

## 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			Group President	

## Signatures

Daniel J. Brestle, by Robin S. Elkowitz,  
attorney-in-fact

08/22/2005

\*\*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 part of a grant of options that became exercisable in three equal tranches on January 1, 2000, January 1, 2001 and January 1, 2002.
- (2) Exercise of stock options granted to the Reporting Person by the Issuer pursuant to his 1995 employment agreement.

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