

Christianson Wei Sun
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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 *
Christianson Wei Sun

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)
11/09/2012

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

MORGAN STANLEY, TOWER 1, 18 TAIPINGQIAO STREET, XICHENG DISTRICT

(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

BEIJING, F4 100032

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| Class A Common Stock | | | | (A) or (D) Price | 4,000 ⁽¹⁾ | 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 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 Number Shares |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 57.49 | 11/09/2012 | | A ⁽²⁾ | 4,736 | 11/09/2013 | 11/09/2022 | | | Class A Common Stock | 4,736 |
| Stock Units (Share Payout) | <u>(3)</u> | 11/09/2012 | | A ⁽²⁾ | 1,213.53 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | | | Class A Common Stock | 1,213.53 |
| Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 57.53 <u>(6)</u> | | | | | 11/11/2012 | 11/11/2021 | | | Class A Common Stock | 4,576 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Christianson Wei Sun MORGAN STANLEY, TOWER 1 18 TAIPINGQIAO STREET, XICHENG DISTRICT BEIJING, F4 100032 | X | | | |

Signatures

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|--|---------------------|
| Wei Sun Christianson, by Charles E. Reese, II, Attorney-in-fact | 11/13/2012 |
| <small>**Signature of Reporting Person</small> | <small>Date</small> |

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) On January 20, 2012, the Class A Common Stock of the Issuer split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of an additional 2,000 shares of Class A Common Stock.
- (2) Granted pursuant to the Issuer's Non-Employee Director Share Incentive Plan.
- (3) Each Stock Unit (Share Payout) is convertible into cash equal to the value of one share of Class A Common Stock (i.e. 1:1).
- (4) The Stock Units (Share Payout) will be paid out the first business day of the calendar year following the last date of the Reporting Person's service as a director of the Company.

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- (5) On January 20, 2012, the Class A Common Stock of the Issuer split 2-for-1, resulting in the Reporting Person's ownership of 732.74 additional Stock Units (Share Payout).
- Stock Options granted pursuant to the Issuer's Non-Employee Director Share Incentive Plan. This option was previously reported as
- (6) covering 2,288 shares at an exercise price of \$115.06 per share, but has been adjusted in this report to reflect the 2-for-1 stock split on January 20, 2012.

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