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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Freda Fabrizio

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC [EL]

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

below)

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

President and CEO

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

09/01/2011

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10153

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative s | Securi | ties Acqu | ired, Disposed of | , or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4) | sposed | of (D) | 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) |
| Class A Common Stock | 09/01/2011 | | A(1) | 32,103 (1) | A | \$0 | 45,077 | D | |
| Class A Common Stock | 09/01/2011 | | F(2) | 16,203 | D | \$ 98.09 | 28,874 | 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) | \$ 98.17 | 09/01/2011 | | A | 83,826 | (3) | 09/01/2021 | Class A Common Stock | 83,826 |
| Restricted Stock Units (Share Payout) | \$ 0 | 09/01/2011 | | A | 19,641 | <u>(4)</u> | <u>(4)</u> | Class A Common Stock | 19,641 |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Freda Fabrizio

THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, NY 10153

Signatures

Fabrizio Freda, by Spencer G. Smul, attorney-in-fact 09/06/2011

**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) Reflects payout of performance share units ("PSUs") granted to Reporting Person on September 11, 2008. Aggregate target payout for the opportunities was 30,574 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 27,942 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2013; 27,942 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2014; and 27,942 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2015.

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Assuming continued employment, the restricted stock units granted on September 1, 2011 will vest and be paid out as follows: 6,547 on October 31, 2012, 6,547 on October 31, 2013, and 6,547 on October 31, 2014. Assuming continued employment, the restricted stock units held by the Reporting Person will vest and be paid out as follows: 41,459 on October 31, 2011, 39,801 on July 1, 2012, 23,525 on October 31, 2012, 13,721 on October 31, 2013 and 6,547 on October 31, 2014. 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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