ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC

Form 4

September 28, 2005

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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 * **GEDEON HARVEY**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC [EL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/26/2005

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

EVP for Global Research & Dev.

below)

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

Applicable Line)

Issuer

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

NEW YORK, NY 10153

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	Date	7. Title and 2. Underlying 3 (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (E	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 35	09/26/2005		A	25,000	<u>(1)</u>	09/26/2015	Class A Common Stock	25,000
Restricted Stock Units (Share Payout)	\$ 0	09/26/2005		A	4,832	(2)	(2)	Class A Common Stock	4,832

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GEDEON HARVEY THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10153

EVP for Global Research & Dev.

Signatures

Harvey Gedeon, by Robin S. Elkowitz, attorney-in-fact

09/28/2005

**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) Stock Options granted pursuant to Fiscal 2002 Share Incentive Plan in respect of 8,333 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2007; 8,333 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2008; 8,334 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2009.
- Assuming continued employment, the restricted stock units will vest and be paid out as follows: 1,610 on October 31, 2006, 1,611 on October 31, 2007, and 1,611 on October 31, 2008, 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 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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