

STERKENBURG ALBERT
Form 4
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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 *
STERKENBURG ALBERT

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL
INC /DE/ [XRAY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

221 WEST PHILADELPHIA
STREET, WEST
BUILDING/DENSPLY

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
02/11/2011

YORK, PA 17405

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | 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. 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| RSU (Restricted Stock Unit) Granted | (1) | 02/11/2011 | | A | 4,455 | 02/11/2014(2) (3) | Common Stock 4,455 |
| PRSU | (4) | 02/11/2011 | | A | 2,970 (5) | 02/11/2014(6) (7) | Common Stock 2,970 |
| Stock Option Grant | \$ 9 | 02/11/2011 | | A | 30,200 | 02/11/2014 02/11/2021 | Common Stock 30,200 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| STERKENBURG ALBERT 221 WEST PHILADELPHIA STREET WEST BUILDING/DENSPLY YORK, PA 17405 | | | Senior VP | |

Signatures

Brian M Addison,
POA for 02/11/2011

__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) Not applicable to this transaction.
- (2) Vests in full (restrictions lapse) 3 years from date of grant.
- (3) Not applicable to this transaction.
- (4) Not applicable to this transaction.
- (5) PRSUs have a one-year performance measurement period and a cumulative three (3) year service/vesting period.
- (6) Vests in full (restrictions lapse) 3 years from date of grant.
- (7) Not applicable to this transaction.

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