ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LAUDER LEONARD A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC [EL]

(Check all applicable)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 05/17/2007

below) Chairman

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

(Street)

(First)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

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 (Month/Day/Year) 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price				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	05/17/2007		M <u>(1)</u>	33,400	A	\$ 24.75	4,652,569	D	
Class A Common Stock	05/17/2007		S(1)	33,400	D	\$ 47.0258 (2)	4,619,169	D	
Class A Common	05/18/2007		M <u>(1)</u>	33,400	A	\$ 24.75	4,652,569	D	

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Class A Common Stock	05/18/2007	S(1)	33,400	D	\$ 47.1366 (2)	4,619,169	D	
Class A Common Stock						2,829,302	I	by LAL Family Partners L.P. (2)
Class A Common Stock						390,000	I	By Evelyn H. Lauder (2)

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amor Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nui Sha
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.75	05/17/2007		M <u>(1)</u>		33,400	01/01/2001(3)	07/01/2007(3)	Class A Common Stock	:
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.75	05/18/2007		M <u>(1)</u>		33,400	01/01/2001(3)	07/01/2007(3)	Class A Common Stock	:
Class B Common Stock	<u>(5)</u>						(5)	(5)	Class A Common Stock	42
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
LAUDER LEONARD A THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10153	X	X	Chairman					
LAUDER EVELYN H THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10153			Sr. Corporate Vice President					
Signatures								
Leonard A. Lauder, by Charles E. Reese, II, Attorney-in-fact			05/18/2007					

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Evelyn H. Lauder, by Charles E. Reese, II, Attorney-in-fact 05/18/2007

**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).
- The exercise of stock options and the sale of the underlying shares of Class A Common Stock were made pursuant to a plan intended to comply with Rule 10b5-1(c), previously entered into on August 18, 2006.
- (2) See Exhibit 99.1.
- (3) The options that were exercised were part of a grant of options that became exercisable in three tranches in respect of 333,333 on January 1, 2001, 333,333 on January 1, 2002, and 333,334 on January 1, 2003.
- (4) Not applicable.

There is no exercise or conversion price for the Class B Common Stock. Shares of Class B Common Stock may be converted immediately on a one-for-one basis by the holder and are automatically converted into Class A Common Stock on a one-for-one basis upon transfer to a person or entity that is not a "Permitted Transferee" or soon after a record date for a meeting of stockholders where the outstanding Class B Common Stock constitutes less than 10% of the outstanding shares of Common Stock of the Issuer.

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