

COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO  
Form DEFA14A  
April 25, 2008

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**SCHEDULE 14A  
(Rule 14a-101)**

Proxy Statement Pursuant to Section 14(a) of the Securities  
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**Colgate-Palmolive Company**

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[LETTER TO COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY STOCKHOLDERS]

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STOCKHOLDERS

April 25, 2008

DEAR FELLOW COLGATE STOCKHOLDER:

You should have received materials and voting instructions for Colgate-Palmolive Company's Annual Meeting of Stockholders to be held on May 8, 2008. Regardless of the number of shares you own, it is important that they are represented and voted at the annual meeting.

If you have not yet voted, please take a moment to vote your proxy at your earliest convenience. Voting instructions are included on the back of this letter. You should read carefully and consider the information contained in the Company's Proxy Statement, as well as the additional information regarding the vote required for Proposal 3 that is included on the back of this letter. We must receive your voting instructions by 11:59 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, on Wednesday, May 7, 2008.

Thank you for your response. We appreciate your support of Colgate-Palmolive Company and, if you are planning to attend the annual meeting, we look forward to seeing you soon.

Sincerely,

/s/ Andrew D. Hendry

Andrew D. Hendry

Senior Vice President,

General Counsel and Secretary

(Please see information on reverse)

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### VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

1. **Vote by Internet: Go to [WWW.PROXYVOTE.COM](http://WWW.PROXYVOTE.COM). Have your 12-Digit Control Number when you access the web site and follow the simple instructions.**
2. **Vote by Telephone: Call toll-free 1-800-690-6903. Have your 12-Digit Control Number when you call and follow the simple instructions.**
3. **Vote by Mail: If you received a proxy card, please vote, sign, date and mail it without delay to ensure its receipt by 11:59 P.M. (Eastern Daylight Time) on May 7, 2008.**

Note: If you have already voted, you may change your vote using any of these three methods, or by attending the meeting and voting in person (although if you are not a holder of record, you can only vote in person if you obtain a proxy from the record holder).

### PROPOSALS REQUIRING YOUR VOTE

This year, three proposals are being presented for your vote:

1. The election of directors;
2. The ratification of the selection of the Company's independent registered public accounting firm; and
3. The amendment to the Restated Certificate of Incorporation to increase the number of authorized shares of Common Stock.

### REQUIRED VOTE FOR PROPOSAL 3

Under Delaware law, the adoption of Proposal 3 requires the affirmative vote of a majority of the outstanding shares of Common Stock, voting separately as a class. This is in addition to the requirement that Proposal 3 receive the affirmative vote of a majority of the voting power of the outstanding shares of Common Stock and Series B Convertible Preference Stock voting together, as described in the Proxy Statement.

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