

LAUDER LEONARD A  
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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 \*  
LAUDER LEONARD A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC [EL]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
  
(Check all applicable)  
 Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
  
THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC., 767 FIFTH AVENUE  
  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/26/2007

NEW YORK, NY 10153  
  
(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock	02/26/2007		M <sup>(1)</sup>	33,300 A \$ 24.75	4,652,469	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/26/2007		S <sup>(1)</sup>	33,300 D \$ 47.3505	4,619,169	D	
Class A Common Stock					2,829,302	I	by LAL Family Partners L.P. <sup>(2)</sup>

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Class A Common Stock	390,000	I	By Evelyn H. Lauder <sup>(2)</sup>
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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 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 Number Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 24.75	02/26/2007		M <sup>(1)</sup>	33,300	01/01/2001 <sup>(3)</sup> 07/01/2007	Class A Common Stock 33,300
Class B Common Stock	<sup>(5)</sup>					<sup>(5)</sup> <sup>(5)</sup>	Class A Common Stock 42,700
Class B Common Stock	<sup>(5)</sup>					<sup>(5)</sup> <sup>(5)</sup>	Class A Common Stock 40,000

## 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

02/27/2007

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Evelyn H. Lauder, by Charles E. Reese, II,  
Attorney-in-fact

02/27/2007

\_\_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).
- (1) 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.
  - (5) 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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