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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 \*  
Demsey John

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)  
Group President

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/25/2010

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)  
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**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 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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A Common Stock	02/25/2010		M <sup>(1)</sup>		20,833	A	\$ 52.83
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							20.2

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 52.83	02/25/2010		M <sup>(1)</sup>	20,833	<sup>(2)</sup> 09/11/2018	Class A Common Stock	20,833

## Reporting Owners

**Reporting Owner Name / Address**

**Relationships**

Director    10% Owner    Officer    Other

Demsey John  
THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC.  
767 FIFTH AVENUE  
NEW YORK, NY 10153

Group President

## Signatures

John Demsey, by Charles E. Reese, II,  
attorney-in-fact

02/25/2010

\_\_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 the Fiscal 2002 Share Incentive Plan in respect of 20,833 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2010.
- (2) The options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on January 1, 2010.
- (3) Not applicable.
- (4) The Reporting Person has options to purchase at various prices, in total, 130,001 shares of Class A Common Stock, none of which are currently exercisable.

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