

COLGATE PALMOLIVE CO  
Form 8-K  
April 17, 2003

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

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**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the**  
**Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report**  
**(Date of earliest event reported)**

**April 17, 2003**

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# COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

**1-644-2**  
(Commission File Number)

**13-1815595**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**300 Park Avenue, New York, NY**  
(Address of principal executive offices)

**10022**  
(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 310-2000

Total number of sequentially numbered pages in this filing, including exhibits thereto: 11

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**Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits. The following exhibit is filed with this document:

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99-A	Press release, dated April 17, 2003, issued by Colgate-Palmolive Company

**Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure (Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition).**

The following information is being furnished under Item 12 of Form 8-K, Results of Operations and Financial Condition, and is included under this Item 9 in accordance with SEC Release Nos. 33-8216; 34-47583.

On April 17, 2003, Colgate-Palmolive Company issued a press release announcing its earnings for the first quarter of 2003. This press release is attached as Exhibit 99-A and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this Current Report is being furnished and shall not be deemed filed for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

**SIGNATURE**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

**COLGATE-PALMOLIVE COMPANY**

Date: April 17, 2003

By:

/s/ STEPHEN C. PATRICK

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Name:

Stephen C. Patrick

Title:

Chief Financial Officer

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