

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC
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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 RONALD S

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC., 767 FIFTH AVENUE

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10153

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
08/19/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman, Clinique Labs, LLC

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		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)			
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2013		G	V	18,462	D	\$ 0 28,894	D	
Class A Common Stock	08/19/2013		G	V	15,385	D	\$ 0 13,509	D	
Class A Common Stock							6,364	I ⁽⁶⁾	By Descendants of RSL 1966 Trust

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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)		
	(1)	(2)	(3)				(A)	(D)					Date Exercisable
Forward sale contract (obligation to sell)				06/11/2011		J/K ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾		V	(A)	(D)	2,000,000	06/02/2014	06/02/2014
Forward sale contract (obligation to sell)				08/19/2013		J/K ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾			(A)	(D)	2,000,000	08/19/2016	08/19/2016
Class B Common Stock			(5)									(5)	(5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
LAUDER RONALD S C/O THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10153		X	Chairman, Clinique Labs, LLC	

Signatures

Ronald S. Lauder, by /s/ Maureen Sladek,
Attorney-in-fact

08/21/2013

__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) On June 7, 2011, the reporting person entered into a prepaid variable forward sale contract (the "Original Contract") with an unaffiliated third party buyer. On August 19, 2013, the reporting person amended the Original Contract (the "Amended Contract") which extended the maturity date on the outstanding prepaid variable forward contract from June 2, 2014 to August 19, 2016. The contract obligates the reporting person to deliver to the buyer up to 2,000,000 shares of EL Class A Common Stock (or, at the reporting person's election, an equivalent amount of cash based on the market price of EL Class A Common Stock at the time) following the maturity date of the contract subject to acceleration.

In exchange for assuming this obligation under the Original Contract, the reporting person received a cash payment in June 2011. No payments were made by either party in connection with the Amended Contract. The reporting person has pledged 2,000,000 shares of EL Class B Common Stock (the "Pledged Shares") to secure his obligations under the Amended Contract, but retained voting and certain dividend rights in the Pledged Shares during the term of the pledge. Under the Amended Contract, the number of shares of EL Class A Common Stock to be delivered to the buyer at settlement will be based on the following formula, which references a settlement price that will be determined by the arithmetic mean of the closing prices of EL Class A Common Stock on each of the five trading days up to, and including, the maturity date (the "Settlement Price"):

(3) (A) if the Settlement Price is less than \$54.7794 (amended from \$38.3557 under the Original Contract), the reporting person will deliver 2,000,000 shares; (B) if the Settlement Price is less than \$78.4280 (amended from \$51.5336 under the Original Contract), but equal to or greater than \$54.7794 (amended from \$38.3557 under the Original Contract), the reporting person will deliver a number of shares equal to 2,000,000 multiplied by a ratio of (i) \$54.7794 (amended from \$38.3557 under the Original Contract) divided by (ii) the Settlement Price;

and (C) if the Settlement Price is equal to or greater than \$78.4280 (amended from \$51.5336 under the Original Contract), the reporting person will deliver a number of shares equal to 2,000,000 multiplied by a ratio equal to one minus (i) the difference between \$78.4280 (amended from \$51.5336 under the Original Contract) and \$54.7794 (amended from \$38.3557 under the Original Contract) divided by (ii) Settlement Price, subject in each case to adjustment upon the occurrence of certain corporate events applicable to EL Class A Common Stock. The number of shares of EL Class A Common Stock to be delivered and the number of Pledged Shares are also subject to adjustment in such event. Amounts under the Original Contract have been adjusted to reflect the two-for-one stock split effected on January 23, 2012.

There is no exercise or conversion price for the Class B Common Stock. Shares of Class B Common Stock (i) may be converted immediately on a one-for-one basis by the holder into shares of Class A Common Stock and (ii) 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" (as defined in the Issuer's Restated Certificate of Incorporation) 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.

(6) Ronald S. Lauder disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares to the extent he does not have a pecuniary interest in such securities.

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