

FORESTER LYNN
Form 4
February 21, 2003

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Forester de Rothschild, Lynn (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol The Estee Lauder Companies Inc., EL | | | 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director — <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) — <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) | | | | |
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| ELR Holdings, Ltd. 435 East 52nd Street (Street) New York, NY 10022 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | 3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity (voluntary) | | | 4. Statement for Month/Day/Year February 20, 2003 | | | | |
| | | | 5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> 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 & 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 & 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 | | | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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FORM 4 (continued) 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) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
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| | | | | (Instr. 3, 4 & 5) | | Date Exer-cisable | Expira-tion Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | |
|----------------------------------|------------|-----------------|--|------------------------|----------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------|
| | | | | Code | V | | | | | | | | (A) |
| Stock Units (Cash Payout) | 1:1 | 02/20/03 | | A⁽¹⁾ | V | 52.23 | ⁽²⁾ | ⁽³⁾ | Class A Common Stock | 52.23 | \$28.72 | 4,064.82 | D |

Explanation of Responses:

- (1) Reflects grant of stock units in lieu of cash for meeting fees.
- (2) The stock units will be paid out the first January 1 after the last date of the Reporting Person's service as a director of the Company.
- (3) See number 2.

By: /s/ **Spencer G. Smul**
Attorney-in-Fact
 **Signature of Reporting Person

February 21, 2003
 Date

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 See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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