

ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC

Form 4

November 18, 2015

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**PROUVE CEDRIC**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

**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)  
**11/16/2015**

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Group President, International

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_\_X\_\_\_\_ 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 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)
Class A Common Stock	11/16/2015		M	13,312	A \$ 0 <sup>(1)</sup>	201,835	D
Class A Common Stock	11/16/2015		F <sup>(2)</sup>	6,865	D \$ 82.77	194,970	D

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)	8. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Restricted Stock Units (Share Payout)	(1)	11/16/2015		M	13,312 (3)	(4) (4)	Class A Common Stock	13,312

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
PROUVE CEDRIC THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC. 767 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10153	Director 10% Owner Officer Other Group President, International

## Signatures

Cedric Prouve, by Maureen Sladek,  
attorney-in fact 11/18/2015

\*\*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) Not applicable. Restricted Stock Units ("RSUs") vest and are paid out in shares of Class A Common Stock on a one-to-one basis on the applicable vesting date.
- (2) Represents the withholding of shares for tax purposes.
- (3) Vesting of RSUs granted November 14, 2012.
- (4) Remaining RSUs from grants dated September 4, 2013, September 3, 2014 and September 4, 2015 will vest and be paid out as follows: 16,980 on October 31, 2016; 11,368 on October 31, 2017; and 5,967 on October 31, 2018. Upon payout, additional shares will be withheld to cover minimum statutory tax obligations. RSUs are accompanied by dividend equivalent rights that will be payable in cash at the time of payout of the related shares.

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