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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PROUVE CEDRIC Issuer Symbol **ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES** (Check all applicable) INC [EL] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) THE ESTEE LAUDER 09/04/2015 Group President, International **COMPANIES INC., 767 FIFTH AVENUE** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10153 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Class A 16,873 $A^{(1)}$ \$0 Common 09/04/2015 Α 189,428 D (1) Stock Class A Common 09/04/2015 $F^{(2)}$ 8,702 180,726 D Stock

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 or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 77.35	09/04/2015		A	59,962	(3)	09/04/2025	Class A Common Stock	59,962
Restricted Stock Units (Share Payout)	\$ 0 (4)	09/04/2015		A	17,899	<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Class A Common Stock	17,899

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Group President, International

PROUVE CEDRIC

THE ESTEE LAUDER COMPANIES INC.

767 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK, NY 10153

Signatures

Cedric Prouve, by Maureen Sladek, attorney-in fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

09/09/2015

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) Reflects payout of Performance Share Units ("PSUs") granted to Reporting Person on September 4, 2012.
- (2) Represents the withholding of shares for tax purposes in connection with the payout of the PSUs.
- (3) Stock options granted pursuant to Fiscal 2002 Share Incentive Plan in respect of 19,987 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2017; 19,987 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2018; and 19,988 shares exercisable from and after January 1, 2019.

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- (4) Not applicable. Restricted Stock Units vest and are paid out in shares of Class A Common Stock on a one-to-one basis on the applicable vesting date.
 - Assuming continued employment, the Restricted Stock Units granted on September 4, 2015 will vest and be paid out as follows: 5,966 on October 31, 2016; 5,966 on October 31, 2017; and 5,967 on October 31, 2018. Assuming continued employment, the Restricted Stock
- Units held by the Reporting Person will vest and be paid out as follows: 16,103 on November 2, 2015; 13,312 on November 16, 2015; 16,980 on October 31, 2016; 11,368 on October 31, 2017; and 5,967 on October 31, 2018. Upon payout, shares will be withheld to cover minimum statutory tax obligations. Restricted Stock Units 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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