FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  STERKENBURG ALBERT  |  |  |  |   | DE                             | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC /DE/ [ XRAY ] |          |      |  |   |                  |   |                                | eck all appli<br>Directo<br>Officer  | cable)<br>or<br>(give title                                       | g Per  | son(s) to Iss<br>10% Ov<br>Other (s | vner   |  |
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| (Last) (First) (Middle) 221 W. PHILADELPHIA ST                |  |  |  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2010 |                                |  |          |      |  |   | 7                | below)  |                                | E PR   | below)  | Г  |                                     |  |  |
| (Street) YORK (City)  | PA   |  | 17405-087<br>(Zip)                             | 72  | 4. If                          | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                             |          |      |  |   |                  |   | Line)                          | ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable<br>e)<br>X Form filed by One Reporting Person<br>Form filed by More than One Reporting<br>Person |   |  |                                     |  |  |
|   |  | Tab  | le I - Nor                                     | ı-Deriv   | ative                          | Sec  | curities | s Ac | quired,  | Disp  | osed o           | of, or Be   | nefic                          | ciall  | y Owned   | t  |                                     |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date) |  |  |  |   |                                | Execution Date,  |          |      | Code (li<br>8)   | Transaction Code (Instr. 3, 5)  Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5) |                  |   | str. 3, 2                      | l and  | 5. Amou<br>Securitie<br>Benefici<br>Owned I<br>Reporte<br>Transac | es Forr<br>ially (D) o<br>Following (I) (II  |                                     | n: Direct<br>r Indirect<br>nstr. 4)                                      | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)  |
|   |  |  |  |   |                                |  |          | Code | V  | Amount  | t (A) or Pi      |   | ice                            | (Instr. 3  |   |  |                                     |  |  |
|   | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |  |   |                                |  |          |      |  |   |                  |   |                                |  |   |  |                                     |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)           | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deeme<br>Execution<br>if any<br>(Month/Day | Date,   | 4.<br>Transac<br>Code (I<br>8) |  | of       |      | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |   |                  | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Secur<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                                |  | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5)               | 9. Number<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficiall<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transactio<br>(Instr. 4) | ly                                  | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|   |  |  |  | ·   | Code                           | v  | (A)      | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable  |   | xpiration<br>ate | Title   | Amo<br>or<br>Num<br>of<br>Shar | ber  |   |  |                                     |  |  |
| Additional<br>RSUs <sup>(1)</sup>                             | \$35.44  | 10/06/2009                                 |  |   | A                              |  | 17.37    |      | (2)  |   | (2)              | Common<br>Stock   | 17.                            | 37   | \$35.44   | 12,324.0   | 1                                   | D  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Dividend on existing vested or unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) awarded to participant, payable as additional units of phantom stock
- 2. Not applicable to this transaction

## Remarks:

01/11/2010 Brian M. Addison, POA

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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