FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  DIXON WENDY L						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC /DE/  [ XRAY ]									k all appli Directo	ctor		10% O	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 165 FROG HOLLOW ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2009									Officer (give title below)		Other (s <sub>j</sub> below)		вреспу 
(Street) COATESVILLE PA 19320 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(5)		le I - Non	-Deriv	ative		curitie		auired	Die	nosed (	of or Be	nefic	ially	Owner				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D.  Table II - Derivati					action Day/Yea	tion 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transa Code (I 8) Code	ction nstr. V	4. Secur Dispose 5) Amount	Securities Acquired (A) sposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 nount (A) or (D) Pr			5. Amou Securiti Benefici Owned Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	Amount of curities Freneficially (Interest Following ported annsaction(s) istr. 3 and 4)		n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemee Execution if if any (Month/Day	d 4 Date, 1	4. Fransa Code (I	ction	5. Number of		6. Date Exe Expiration (Month/Day	rcisa Date	ble and			8. De Se (Ir	Price of erivative ecurity astr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Additional RSUs <sup>(1)</sup>	\$26.5	01/09/2009			A		3.41		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	3.41		\$26.5	1,807.12	2	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:

Brian M. Addison, POA 01/12/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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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