FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person*     DIXON WENDY L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC /DE/							[ (Che	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner							
(Last) (First) (Middle) 221 W. PHILADELPHIA ST			XRAY ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/06/2009									give title		Other (s	·			
(Street) YORK (City)	PA (State		405-087 ))	2	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line)	ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable )  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																	
Date			2. Transa Date (Month/E	Execution Date,				4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			(A) or 3, 4 and 5)	and 5) Securities Beneficially Owned Followi		6. Ownersh Form: Direc (D) or Indire (I) (Instr. 4)		Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and	on(s)			(Instr. 4)	
	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  (Instr. 3)  3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Pear)		n Date,	Code (Inst				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)			
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Additional RSUs <sup>(1)</sup>	\$33.6	10/06/2009			A		4.7		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	4.7	\$33.6	3,163.2	21	D	
Phantom Stock (Deferred	\$34.64	10/06/2009			A		7.43 <sup>(3)</sup>		(4)		(2)	Common Stock	7.43	\$34.64	5,155.5	59	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
- 3. Dividend on existing account balance
- 4. Value paid in stock upon retirement

## Remarks:

Brian M. Addison, POA

10/06/2009

\*\* 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).
- \*\* 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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