FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Decce Willia A						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC /DE/ [5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
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						, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,									(give title		Other (s	pecify	
(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)								below)			below)		
221 WEST PHILADELPHIA STREET						01/10/2012													
(Street)					4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					
YORK PA		17405											X Form fi	ed by One Reporting Person			·		
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(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)																
		Tal	ole I - Nor	n-Deriv	vativ	e Se	curities	Acc	quired, D	isp	osed o	f, or Ber	eficial	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr.) 8) 4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 5)			d (A) or r. 3, 4 and	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s ally ollowing	Form:	Direct Indirect Etr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code V	,	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	action(s)		1	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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				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 of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	ni(s)			
RSU (Restricted Stock	\$34.99	01/10/2012			A		1.829 ⁽¹⁾		(2)		(2)	Common Stock	1.829	\$34.99	1,165.50	03	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Dividend on existing vested or unvested Restricted Stock Unit (RSUs) awarded to Reporting Person, payable as additional units of Phantom Stock.
- 2. Not applicable to this transaction.

Deborah M. Rasin, POA for 01/12/2012

** 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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