#### HOFFMAN PETER K

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOFFMAN PETER K			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol GILLETTE CO [G]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (I PRUDENTIAL T BUILDING - 42	,	Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/29/2004	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (special below)		
(Street) BOSTON, MA 021998004			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	President Grooming  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  _ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

#### (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 (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionr Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect

(Instr. 3)		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			Beneficially Owned Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock \$1 Par value	11/29/2004		M	22,000	A	\$ 20.985	47,861	D	
Common Stock \$1 Par value	11/29/2004		F	10,675	D	\$ 43.05	37,186	D	
Common Stock \$1 Par value	11/29/2004		S	8,883	D	\$ 43	28,303	D	
Common Stock \$1							4,595	I	By Daughter

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Common Stock \$1 Par value	2,312.3	I	By ESOP Trust (1)
Common Stock \$1 Par value	25,745	I	By Savings Plan Trust - 401(k) (2)

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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 Conversion or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of Derivative Security		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if Tany C	4. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20.985	11/29/2004		M	22,000	06/15/1996	06/14/2005	Common Stock \$1 Par value	22,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOFFMAN PETER K
PRUDENTIAL TOWER BUILDING - 42

**President Grooming** 

Relationships

BOSTON, MA 021998004

## **Signatures**

/s/ Hoffman, Peter 12/01/2004

Date

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\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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) Banalce includes shares acquired from regular quarterly dividends converted to new shares.
- (2) Routine acquisitions under 401(k) plan exempt under rule 16b-3(c).

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