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NO VOTES = NO DEAL  
INVESTOR RELATIONS  
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Shareholder approval for the Gillette acquisition REQUIRES VOTES FROM THE MAJORITY OF OUTSTANDING SHARES. THIS MEANS THAT IF YOU DON'T VOTE YOUR SHARES, THEY WILL BE COUNTED AS VOTES AGAINST THE MERGER.

P&G's Board of Directors has unanimously recommended voting in favor of the transaction. The merger will create a strong combined company that will be well positioned to benefit from:

- o COMPLEMENTARY STRENGTHS in innovation, selling and go-to-market capabilities to improve sales growth
- o STRENGTHENED LINE-UP of industry-leading brands
- o INCREASED SCALE for better consumer value and lower costs; and
- o ENHANCED RELATIONSHIPS with retail customers

We began mailing the proxy statements announcing the meeting to all P&G shareholders on 3 June 2005. It provides significant details about the deal so shareholders understand the importance of this acquisition.

Those with email access will receive the proxy notification via email. Others will receive a hard copy.

You can vote via the internet, telephone, postal mail or in person. The proxy provides instructions for each option. If you have questions or don't receive your proxy by 1 July, please contact P&G's Shareholder Services:

- o WITHIN THE US AND CANADA: (800) 742-6253
- o OUTSIDE NORTH AMERICA: 513-983-3034

Please vote -- this deal cannot be completed without your approval.

LINK: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND WHERE TO FIND IT

In connection with the proposed merger, The Procter & Gamble Company ("P&G") has

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filed a registration statement on Form S-4 on May 26, 2005, with the Securities and Exchange Commission (Registration No. 333-123309), containing a definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus. INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS ARE ADVISED TO READ THE DEFINITIVE JOINT PROXY STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS BECAUSE IT CONTAINS IMPORTANT INFORMATION. Investors and security holders may obtain a free copy of the definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus and other documents filed by P&G and The Gillette Company ("Gillette") with the Commission at the Commission's web site at <http://www.sec.gov>. Free copies of the definitive joint proxy statement/prospectus and each company's other filings with the Commission may also be obtained from the respective companies. Free copies of P&G's filings may be obtained by directing a request to P&G Investor Relations at 513-983-2415. Free copies of Gillette's filings may be obtained by directing a request to Gillette Investor Relations at 617-421-8172.

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### PARTICIPANTS IN THE SOLICITATION

P&G, Gillette and their respective directors, executive officers and other members of their management and employees may be soliciting proxies from their respective stockholders in favor of the merger. Information concerning persons who may be considered participants in the solicitation of P&G's stockholders under the rules of the Commission is set forth in the Proxy Statement filed by P&G with the Commission on August 27, 2004, and information concerning persons who may be considered participants in the solicitation of Gillette's stockholders under the rules of the Commission is set forth in the Proxy Statement filed by Gillette with the Commission on March 30, 2005.