FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LUNGER FRANCIS J</u>					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC /DE/ XRAY]						/ [(Che	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner			wner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 221 WEST PHILADELPHIA STREET WEST BUILDING/DENTSPLY					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/23/2012							below)	(give title	Other (below)		
(Street) YORK PA 17405 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)						Line	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date,			3. Transaction Code (Instr.	str. 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		Ownership rm: Direct) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (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	ersion Date Execution D if any (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	ate, Transaction Code (Instr				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(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)			
Phantom Stock (Directors' Deferred Comp)	(1)	03/23/2012		A		14.241 ⁽²⁾		(3)	(4)	Common Stock	14.241	\$39.22	10,168.026	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Shares of phantom stock convert to common stock on a 1:1 basis.
- 2. Dividend on existing account balance.
- 3. Value paid in stock upon retirement.
- 4. Not applicable to this transaction.

<u>Deborah M. Rasin, POA for</u> <u>Francis J. Lunger</u>

03/27/2012

** 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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