FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* ALFANO MICHAEL C				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DENTSPLY INTERNATIONAL INC /DE/ [								<u>/</u> [   (Ch	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner					
221 WEST PHILADELPHIA STREET				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/11/2013								Officer below)	(give title	Other ( below)	specify			
(Street) YORK	P.	DENTSPLY A	17405		4. 11	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City)	(S		(Zip)		<u> </u>							· -	<u> </u>					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)  Table II - Derivati				Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 8			3. Transactic Code (Ins 8) Code V	4. Se Dispostr. 5)	Securities Acquired (A) sposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 mount (A) or (D) Pr			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Ownership orm: Direct ) or Indirect (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year	ate, Tr	4. Transactio Code (Insti		5. Number of Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		_	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative (Instr. 3 and	d f Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
				C	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expirat Date	tion	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)			
RSU (Restricted Stock Unit)	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	01/11/2013			A		9.815 <sup>(2)</sup>		(3)	(4)		Common Stock	9.815	\$39.01	6,971.857	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- Shares convert to common stock on a one for one basis.
- 2. Dividend on existing vested or unvested Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) awarded to participant, payable as additional units of phantom stock.
- 3. Vests in full (restrictions lapse) 3 years from date of grant.
- 4. Not applicable to this transaction.

Deborah M. Rasin, POA for Michael C. Alfano

01/14/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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