

GILLETTE CO  
Form 8-K  
March 11, 2005

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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**  
**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

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**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 10, 2005**

THE GILLETTE COMPANY

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE

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(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-922

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(Commission File Number)

04-1366970

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(IRS Employer Identification No.)

PRUDENTIAL TOWER BUILDING, BOSTON, MA 02199

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (617) 421-7000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors, Appointment of Principal Officers.**

On March 10, 2005, Jorge Paulo Lemann, a member of the Board of Directors of The Gillette Company since 1998, retired from the Board.

Mr. Lemann's current term would have expired at the Company's 2007 annual shareholders' meeting. His seat will remain vacant until such time the Board determines either to fill the vacancy or to eliminate the unfilled seat.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE GILLETTE COMPANY

By: /s/ William J. Mostyn III  
William J. Mostyn III  
Secretary

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