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GILLETTE CO Form 424B2 October 08, 2002 \$500,000,000 Gillette CoreNotessm

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Pricing Supplement No. 004 - dated October 4, 2002 (To Prospectus dated July 10, 2002, and Prospectus Supplement dated August 23, 2002)

CUSIP Number	Aggregate Principal Amount	Price to Public ⁽¹⁾	Purchasing Agent s Discount/ Commission(1)	Proceeds, Before Expenses, to Gillette ⁽¹⁾	Interest Rate Per Annum	Interest Payment Frequency (begin date)	Stated Maturity Date	Survivor s Option
37576GAD2	\$7,175,000	100%	1.50%	98.50%	4.55%	quarterly 1/15/03	10/9/2012	Yes

Redemption Information: Redeemable at the option of The Gillette Company on 10/15/2003 and each Interest Payment Date thereafter at a price equal to 100%.

Other/Additional Provisions:

The Gillette Company Prudential Tower Building Boston, MA 02199 Trade Date: October 4, 2002 Original Issue Date: October 9, 2002

Minimum Denominations/Increments: \$1,000/\$1,000

Original Issue Discount Note: No

All trades settle without accrued interest and clear SDFS: DTC Book-Entry

only

Merrill Lynch DTC Participant Number: 5132

(1) Expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount. CoreNotesn is a service mark of Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc.

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Purchasing Agent

Acting as Principal