FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Nobles Anne 2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 04/20/2009		ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER	0 1/20/2003		Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner		(Mo	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
			X Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(Street)			Chief Eth/Cmpl Ofcr 8	k SVP, ERN	1	,	y One Reporting Person	
INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285						Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City) (State) (Zip)								
	Table I - No	n-Derivat	ive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownersh Form: Direct or Indirect (Instr. 5)	cṫ (D) (Inst		Beneficial Ownership	
Common Stock			12,105	D				
Common Stock			666	I	401(k)			
Common Stock			8,477	I ⁽¹⁾	by husband			
Common Stock			803	I ⁽¹⁾	by daughter			
(0			e Securities Beneficially nts, options, convertible		s)			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Employee stock option 10/01 (right to buy)	10/03/2003	10/04/2011	Common Stock	4,250	79.28	D		
Employee stock option 10/99 (right to buy)	10/18/2002	10/16/2009	Common Stock	8,500	66.375	D		
Employee stock option 2/01 (right to buy)	02/20/2004	02/18/2011	Common Stock	9,350	73.98	D		
Employee stock option 2/02 (right to buy)	02/18/2005	02/17/2012	Common Stock	10,000	75.92	D		
Employee stock option 2/03 (right to buy)	02/16/2006	02/15/2013	Common Stock	10,700	57.85	D		
Employee stock option 2/04 (right to buy)	02/19/2007	02/14/2014	Common Stock	40,000	73.11	D		
Employee stock option 2/05 (right to buy)	02/11/2008	02/10/2015	Common Stock	21,763	55.65	D		
Employee stock option 2/06 (right to buy)	02/10/2009	02/09/2016	Common Stock	18,825	56.18	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

Remarks:

Anne Nobles

04/29/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

 $Reminder: Report \ on \ a \ separate \ line \ for \ each \ class \ of \ securities \ beneficially \ owned \ directly.$

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Authorization Regarding Reporting Forms

I hereby authorize and designate the following persons to sign and file with the Commission on my behalf Forms 3, 4, and 5 covering my transactions and holdings in the common stock and other equity securities of Eli Lilly and Company as required by Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder:

Robert A. Armitage, Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, Indiana James B. Lootens, Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, Indiana Bronwen L. Mantlo, Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, Indiana

This authorization and designation shall remain in effect until a written revocation is signed by me and provided to the Commission.

Anne Nobles

April 21, 2009