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FORM S-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY (EXACT NAME OF REGISTRANT AS SPECIFIED IN ITS CHARTER)

INDIANA (STATE OR OTHER JURISDICTION OF INCORPORATION OR ORGANIZATION)

LILLY CORPORATE CENTER INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46285 317-276-2000 (ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE OF REGISTRANT'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)

REBECCA O. GOSS, ESQ. VICE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL COUNSEL ELI LILLY AND COMPANY LILLY CORPORATE CENTER INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46285 317-276-2000 (NAME, ADDRESS, INCLUDING ZIP CODE, AND TELEPHONE NUMBER, INCLUDING AREA CODE OF AGENT FOR SERVICES)

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(I.R.S. EMPLOYER

IDENTIFICATION NO.)

KEITH L. KEARNEY, ESQ. DAVIS POLK & WARDWELL 450 LEXINGTON AVENUE NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10017

APPROXIMATE DATE OF COMMENCEMENT OF PROPOSED SALE TO THE PUBLIC: From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement.

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box. $[\]$

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box. [x]

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

| TITLE OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED | AMOUNT TO BE REGISTERED(1) | PROPOSED MAXIMUM OFFERING PRICE PER UNIT(2) | PROPOSED MAXIMUM AGGREGATE OFFERING PRICE(1)(2) | AMOUNT OF REGISTRATION FEE |
|---|----------------------------|---|--|----------------------------------|
| Debt Securities | \$1,000,000,000.00 | 100% | \$1,000,000,000.00 | \$344,800 |

(1) In U.S. dollars or the equivalent thereof in foreign currencies or currency units. Such amount shall be increased, if any of the Debt Securities are issued at an original issue discount, by an amount such that the net proceeds to be received by the Registrant shall be equal to \$1,000,000,000.00.

(2) Estimated solely for the purpose of determining the registration fee.

THE REGISTRANT HEREBY AMENDS THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT ON SUCH DATE OR DATES AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO DELAY ITS EFFECTIVE DATE UNTIL THE REGISTRANT SHALL FILE A FURTHER AMENDMENT WHICH SPECIFICALLY STATES THAT THIS REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL THEREAFTER BECOME EFFECTIVE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 8(a) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 OR UNTIL THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE ON SUCH DATE AS THE COMMISSION, ACTING PURSUANT TO SAID SECTION 8(a), MAY DETERMINE. INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO COMPLETION OR AMENDMENT. A REGISTRATION STATEMENT RELATING TO THESE SECURITIES HAS BEEN FILED WITH THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION. THESE SECURITIES MAY NOT BE SOLD NOR MAY OFFERS TO BUY BE ACCEPTED PRIOR TO THE TIME THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT BECOMES EFFECTIVE. THIS PROSPECTUS SHALL NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR THE SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY NOR SHALL THERE BE ANY SALE OF THESE SECURITIES IN ANY STATE IN WHICH SUCH OFFER, SOLICITATION OR SALE WOULD BE UNLAWFUL PRIOR TO REGISTRATION OR QUALIFICATION UNDER THE SECURITIES LAWS OF ANY SUCH STATE.

PROSPECTUS (SUBJECT TO COMPLETION) ISSUED MAY 1, 1995

\$1,000,000,000 ELI LILLY AND COMPANY DEBT SECURITIES

Eli Lilly and Company (the 'Company' or 'Lilly') may offer from time to time its debt securities (the 'Securities') having an aggregate initial offering price of up to \$1,000,000,000 (or the equivalent in foreign currency or currency units) on terms to be determined at the time of sale. The Securities may be sold for U.S. dollars, foreign currencies or currency units, and the principal of, premium, if any, and interest, if any, on the Securities may be payable in U.S. dollars, foreign currencies or currency units. The Securities may be issued in one or more series with the same or various maturities at or above par or with an original issue discount. The Securities may be issued in registered form ('Registered Securities'), in bearer form, with or without coupons ('Bearer Securities'), or in the form of one or more global securities (each a 'Global Security'). Bearer Securities will be offered only outside the United States and its possessions to Non-United States persons or to offices located outside United States and its possessions of certain United States financial institutions or to other qualifying persons in accordance with United States Treasury Regulations Section 1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(D). The specific designation, aggregate principal amount, currency or currency unit in which the principal, premium, if any, or interest, if any, is payable, authorized denominations, purchase price, maturity, rate or rates (which may be fixed or variable) and time of payment of any interest, redemption or repurchase terms, any listing on a securities exchange and any other specific terms of the Securities in respect of which this Prospectus is being delivered (the 'Offered Securities') are set forth in the accompanying supplement to this Prospectus (the 'Prospectus Supplement'), together with the terms of offering of the Offered Securities.

THESE SECURITIES HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED BY THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION NOR HAS THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION PASSED UPON THE ACCURACY OR ADEQUACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The Securities may be offered through underwriters, agents or dealers, or directly to purchasers by the Company or subsidiaries of the Company. If an underwriter, agent or dealer is involved in the offering of any Offered Securities, the underwriter's discount, agent's commission or dealer's purchase price will be set forth in, or may be calculated from, the Prospectus Supplement, and the net proceeds to the Company from such offering will be the public offering price of the Offered Securities less such discount in the case of an underwriter, the purchase price of the Offered Securities less such commission in the case of an agent or the purchase price of the Offered Securities in the case of a dealer, and less, in each case, the other expenses of the Company associated with the issuance and distribution of the Offered Securities. Any such underwriter (or any representative thereof), dealer or agent may include Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated. See 'Plan of Distribution' for possible indemnification arrangements for dealers, underwriters and agents.

, 1995

NO DEALER, SALESMAN OR ANY OTHER PERSON HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO GIVE ANY INFORMATION OR TO MAKE ANY REPRESENTATIONS OTHER THAN THOSE CONTAINED OR INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THIS PROSPECTUS AND, IF GIVEN OR MADE, SUCH INFORMATION OR REPRESENTATIONS MUST NOT BE RELIED UPON AS HAVING BEEN AUTHORIZED BY THE COMPANY OR ANY UNDERWRITER, DEALER OR AGENT. NEITHER THE DELIVERY OF THIS PROSPECTUS NOR ANY SALE MADE HEREUNDER SHALL UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES CREATE AN IMPLICATION THAT THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGE IN THE AFFAIRS OF THE COMPANY SINCE THE DATE HEREOF. THIS PROSPECTUS DOES NOT CONSTITUTE AN OFFER TO SELL OR A SOLICITATION OF AN OFFER TO BUY SECURITIES BY ANYONE IN ANY JURISDICTION IN WHICH SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION IS NOT AUTHORIZED OR IN WHICH THE PERSON MAKING SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION IS NOT QUALIFIED TO DO SO OR TO ANY PERSON TO WHOM IT IS UNLAWFUL TO MAKE SUCH OFFER OR SOLICITATION.

AVAILABLE INFORMATION

The Company is subject to the informational requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the 'Exchange Act'), and in accordance therewith files reports, proxy statements and other information with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the 'Commission'). The reports, proxy statements and other information filed by the Company with the Commission can be inspected and copied at the public reference facilities maintained by the Commission at Judiciary Plaza, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549, and at the Commission's Regional Offices at 7 World Trade Center, 13th Floor, New York, New York 10048 and the Citicorp Center, 500 West Madison Street, Room 1400, Chicago, Illinois 60661. Copies of such material can be obtained from the Public Reference Section of the Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington D.C. 20549 at prescribed rates. Such reports, proxy statements and other information concerning the Company also can be inspected at the office of the New York Stock Exchange, Inc., 20 Broad Street, New York, New York 10005, at the American Stock Exchange Incorporated, 301 Pine Street, San Francisco, California 94101.

INFORMATION INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

The Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1994, which has been filed by the Company with the Commission pursuant to the Exchange Act, is incorporated herein by reference.

All documents subsequently filed by the Company pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the termination of the offering of the Securities, shall be deemed to be incorporated in this Prospectus by reference and to be a part hereof from the respective date of filing of each such document. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this Prospectus to the extent that a statement herein or in any other subsequently filed document which also is, or is deemed to be, incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Prospectus.

The Company will furnish without charge to each person to whom this Prospectus is delivered, upon written or oral request, a copy of any or all of the documents incorporated by reference herein, other than exhibits to such documents. Requests should be directed to Eli Lilly and Company, Shareholder Services Department, Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, Indiana 46285, telephone number (317) 276-2000.

THE COMPANY

Eli Lilly and Company was incorporated in 1901 under the laws of Indiana to succeed to the drug manufacturing business founded in Indianapolis, Indiana, in 1876 by Colonel Eli Lilly. The Company, including its subsidiaries, is engaged in the discovery, development, manufacture and sale of products and the provision of services in one industry segment -- Life Sciences. Products are manufactured or distributed through owned or leased facilities in the United States, Puerto Rico and 26 other countries, in 19 of which the Company owns or has an interest in manufacturing facilities. Its products are sold in approximately 117 countries. Through its PCS Health Systems subsidiary, the Company provides pharmacy benefit management services in the United States.

Most of the Company's products were discovered or developed through the Company's research and development activities, and the success of the Company's business depends to a great extent on the introduction of new products resulting from these research and development activities. Research efforts are primarily directed toward the discovery of products to diagnose and treat diseases in human beings and animals and to increase the efficiency of animal food production. The principal executive offices of the Company are located at Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, Indiana 46285, telephone number (317) 276-2000.

USE OF PROCEEDS

Unless otherwise indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, the net proceeds to be received by the Company from sales of the Securities will be used for general corporate purposes, which may include reducing short-term indebtedness in the form of commercial paper used to finance the acquisition of the pharmacy benefits management business of McKesson Corporation, a Delaware corporation, working capital, capital expenditures, stock repurchases, repayment and refinancing of other indebtedness and acquisitions.

RATIO OF EARNINGS TO FIXED CHARGES

The following table sets forth the Company's ratio of earnings to fixed charges for the periods indicated:

YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,

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| 1994(1) | 1994 | 1993 | 1992 | 1991 | 1990 |
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(1) The pro forma ratio of earnings to fixed charges gives full-year effect to the acquisition of PCS Health Systems, Inc. from McKesson Corporation as discussed in 'Recent Developments' in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1994, as incorporated herein by reference. This acquisition was financed with approximately \$4 billion of short-term indebtedness in the form of commercial paper of which \$800,000,000 was refinanced with long-term indebtedness.

The ratio of earnings to fixed charges represents the historical ratio of the Company and is calculated on a total worldwide basis. The ratio is computed by dividing the sum of earnings from continuing operations before taxes and fixed charges excluding capitalized interest by fixed charges. Fixed charges represent interest expense (including capitalized interest).

DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES

The Securities are to be issued under an Indenture (the 'Indenture'), between the Company and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (the 'Trustee'). The form of the Indenture, dated as of February 1, 1991, is an exhibit to the Registration Statement of which this Prospectus is a part. The Indenture incorporates the Company's Standard Multiple-Series Indenture provisions, a copy of which is an exhibit to the Registration Statement. The Indenture does not limit the aggregate principal amount of Securities which may be issued thereunder. The Company may issue Securities under the Indenture as the

Company shall see fit. The Company may enter into one or more additional indentures providing for the issuance of Securities with one or more banking institutions organized under the laws of the United States of America, any state thereof or such foreign jurisdictions as may be permitted under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, as amended, serving as trustee. Reference is made to the Prospectus Supplement for information regarding the Indenture or any additional indenture under which the Offered Securities will be issued.

The statements under this heading are subject to the detailed provisions of the Indenture. Whenever particular provisions of the Indenture or terms defined therein are referred to, such provisions or definitions are incorporated by reference herein as a part of the statements made and the statements are qualified in their entirety by such reference.

General: The Securities will be unsecured general obligations of the Company and will rank on a parity with the other unsecured and unsubordinated indebtedness for borrowed money of the Company. The Indenture provides that the Offered Securities and other unsecured debt securities of the Company, without limitation as to aggregate principal amount (collectively, the 'Indenture Securities'), may be issued in one or more series, and a single series may be issued at various times, with different maturity dates and different interest rates, in each case as authorized from time to time by the Company.

One or more series of the Indenture Securities may be issued with the same or various maturities at par or at a discount. Offered Securities bearing no interest or interest at a rate which at the time of issuance is below the market rate ('Original Issue Discount Securities') will be sold at a discount (which may be substantial) below their stated principal amount. Federal income tax consequences and other special considerations applicable to any such Original Issue Discount Securities will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

If any of the Offered Securities are sold for any foreign currency or currency unit or if the principal of, premium, if any, or interest, if any, on any of the Offered Securities is payable in any foreign currency or currency unit, the restrictions, elections, tax consequences, specific terms and other information with respect to such issue of Offered Securities and such foreign currency or currency unit will be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

The Prospectus Supplement will state the price or prices (which may be expressed as a percentage of the aggregate principal amount thereof) at which the Offered Securities will be sold.

Reference is made to the Prospectus Supplement relating to the Offered Securities for the following terms thereof:

(1) the specific designation of the Offered Securities;

(2) the aggregate principal amount of the Offered Securities;

(3) the date or dates on which the principal of and premium, if any, on the Offered Securities shall be payable or the method of determination thereof;

(4) the rate or rates (which may be fixed or variable) at which the Offered Securities shall bear interest, if any, or the method by which such rate or rates shall be determined, the date or dates from which such interest shall accrue, or the method by which such date or dates shall be determined, the date or dates on which such interest shall be payable and the record dates therefor;

(5) if other than in U.S. dollars, the currency or currency unit in which payment of the principal of, premium, if any, and interest, if any, on the Offered Securities shall be payable and the Dollar Determination Agent (as defined in the Indenture), if any;

(6) if the amount of payments of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest, if any, on the Offered Securities may be determined with reference to an index, formula or other method based on a currency or currency unit, or other commodity as permitted, other than that in which the Offered Securities are stated to be payable, the manner in which such amounts shall be determined;

(7) if the principal of, premium, if any, or interest, if any, on the Offered Securities are to be payable at the election of the Company or a holder thereof in a currency or currency unit other than that in which the Offered Securities are stated to be payable, the period or periods within which and the terms and conditions upon which such election may be made;

(8) the place or places where the principal of, premium, if any, and interest, if any, on the Offered Securities shall be payable;

(9) the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which the Offered Securities may be redeemed, in whole or in part, at the option of the Company;

(10) the obligation, if any, of the Company to redeem, purchase or repay the Offered Securities pursuant to any sinking fund or analogous provision or at the option of a holder thereof and the period or periods within which, the price or prices at which and the terms and conditions upon which the Offered Securities shall be redeemed, purchased or repaid, in whole or in part, pursuant to such obligation;

(11) whether the Offered Securities are to be issued as Bearer Securities and, if so, (i) whether the Offered Securities are also to be issued as Registered Securities and (ii) the manner in which such Bearer Securities are to be dated;

(12) whether the Offered Securities are to be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities and, if so, the identity of the Depositary (as defined in the Indenture) for such Global Security or Securities;

(13) if a temporary Global Security is to be issued with respect to the Offered Securities, whether any interest thereon payable on an interest payment date prior to the issuance of a permanent Global Security or definitive Bearer Securities will be paid to the Depositary for such temporary Global Security and, in such event, the terms and conditions upon which such interest payments received by such Depositary will be credited to the account of the persons entitled thereto on such interest payment date;

(14) if a temporary Global Security is to be issued with respect to the Offered Securities, the terms upon which interests in such temporary Global Security may be exchanged for interests in a permanent Global Security or for definitive Securities of the series and the terms upon which interests in a permanent Global Security, if any, may be exchanged for definitive Securities of the series;

(15) if any of the Offered Securities are to be issued in registered form, the denominations, if other than denominations of \$1,000 and any integral multiple thereof, in which such Registered Securities are to be issued and, if any of the Offered Securities are to be issued in bearer form, the denominations, if other than the denomination of \$5,000, in which such Bearer Securities are to be issued;

(16) if other than the principal amount thereof, the portion of the principal amount of the Offered Securities payable upon declaration of acceleration of the maturity of the Offered Securities;

(17) the provisions, if any, relating to the cancellation and satisfaction of the Indenture or certain covenants contained in the Indenture with respect to the Offered Securities prior to the maturity thereof pursuant to Section 12.02 thereof (see 'Defeasance of the Indenture and the Indenture Securities');

(18) any deletions from or modifications of or additions to the Events of Default set forth in Section 6.01 or covenants contained in Article 5 of the Indenture pertaining to the Offered Securities;

(19) whether and under what circumstances and with what procedures and documentation the Company will pay additional amounts on any of the Offered Securities to any holder who is not a United States Person (including a definition of such term), in respect of any tax, assessment or governmental charge withheld or deducted and, if so, whether the Company will have the option to redeem such Securities rather than pay additional amounts (and the terms of any such option);

(20) the Person to whom any interest on any Registered Security shall be payable, if other than the Person in whose name that Security (or a Predecessor Security) is registered at the close of business on the record date therefor, the manner in which, or the Person to whom any interest on any Bearer Security shall be payable, if otherwise than upon presentation and surrender of the

coupons appertaining thereto as they severally mature and the extent to which, or the manner in which, any interest payable on a temporary Global Security will be paid; and

(21) any other terms of the Offered Securities not inconsistent with the provisions of the applicable Indenture and not adversely affecting the rights of the holders of any other series of Indenture Securities then outstanding. (Section 3.01)

The Company may authorize the issuance and provide for the terms of a series of Indenture Securities pursuant to a resolution of its Board of Directors or any duly authorized committee thereof or pursuant to a supplemental indenture. The provisions of the Indenture described above provide the Company with the ability, in addition to the ability to issue Indenture Securities with terms different from those of Indenture Securities previously issued, to 'reopen' a previous issue of a series of Indenture Securities and to issue additional Indenture Securities of such series.

The Indenture Securities may be issued as Registered Securities, Bearer Securities or both. Indenture Securities of a series may be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities, as described below under 'Global Securities.' One or more Global Securities will be issued in a denomination or aggregate denominations equal to the aggregate principal amount of outstanding Indenture Securities of the series to be represented by such Global Security or Securities. The Prospectus Supplement relating to a series of Indenture Securities denominated in a foreign currency or currency unit will specify the denomination thereof. (Section 3.02)

Limitations on the issuance of Bearer Securities, as well as certain Federal income tax consequences and other special considerations applicable to any such Bearer Securities, will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

Exchange, Registration and Transfer: At the option of a holder of the Indenture Securities upon request confirmed in writing, and subject to the terms of the applicable Indenture, Bearer Securities (with all unmatured coupons, except as provided below) of any series may be exchanged for an equal aggregate principal amount of Registered Securities (if the Indenture Securities of such series are to be issued as Registered Securities) or Bearer Securities (if Bearer Securities of such series are to be issued as negrester and maturity date), but no Bearer Security will be delivered in or to the United States, and Registered Securities of any series (other than a Global Security, except as set forth below) will be exchangeable into an equal aggregate principal amount of Registered authorized denominations. If a holder surrenders Bearer Securities in exchange for Registered Securities between a Regular Record Date or, in certain circumstances, a Special Record Date (each as defined in the Indenture), and the relevant interest payment date, such holder will not be required to surrender the coupon relating to such interest payment date. Registered Securities may not be exchanged for Bearer Securities. (Section 3.05)

Indenture Securities may be presented for exchange, and Registered Securities (other than a Global Security) may be presented for transfer (with the form of transfer endorsed thereon duly executed), at the office of any transfer agent or at the office of the Security Registrar, without service charge and upon payment of any taxes and other governmental charges as described in the applicable Indenture. Such transfer or exchange will be effected upon the transfer agent or the Security Registrar, as the case may be, being satisfied with the documents of title and identity of the person making the request. Bearer Securities, and the coupons if any appertaining thereto, will be transferable by delivery. (Section 3.05)

Global Securities: The Indenture Securities of a series may be issued in whole or in part in the form of one or more Global Securities that will be deposited with, or on behalf of, the Depositary identified in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto. Global Securities may be issued in either registered or bearer form and in either temporary or permanent form. Unless and until it is exchanged in whole or in part for Indenture Securities in definitive form, a Global Security may not be transferred except as a whole by the Depositary for such Global Security to a nominee of such Depositary or by a nominee of such Depositary to such Depositary or another nominee of such Depositary or by such Depositary or any such nominee to a successor Depositary or a nominee of such successor Depositary. (Sections 3.03 and 3.05)

The specific terms of the depositary arrangement with respect to any Indenture Securities of a series will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto. The Company anticipates that the following provisions will apply to all depositary arrangements.

Upon the issuance of a Global Security, the Depositary for such Global Security will credit, on its book-entry registration and transfer system, the respective principal amounts of the Indenture Securities represented by such Global Security to the accounts of institutions that have accounts with such Depositary ('participants'). The accounts to be credited shall be designated by the underwriters or agents through which such Indenture Securities were sold or by the Company, if such Indenture Securities are offered and sold directly by the Company. Ownership of beneficial interests in a Global Security will be limited to participants or persons that may hold interests through participants. Ownership of beneficial interests in such Global Security will be shown on, and the transfer of that ownership will be effected only through, records maintained by the Depositary for such Global Security or by participants or persons that hold through participants. The laws of some states require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of such securities in definitive form. Such limits and such laws may impair the ability to transfer beneficial interests in a Global Security.

So long as the Depositary for a Global Security, or its nominee, is the owner of such Global Security, such Depositary or such nominee, as the case may be, will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Indenture Securities represented by such Global Security for all purposes under the Indenture governing such Indenture Securities. Except as set forth below, owners of beneficial interests in a Global Security will not be entitled to have Indenture Securities of the series represented by such Global Security registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of Indenture Securities of such series in definitive form and will not be considered the owners or holders thereof under the Indenture governing such Indenture Securities.

Subject to certain limitations on the issuance of Bearer Securities which will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto, payments of principal of, premium, if any, and interest, if any, on Indenture Securities registered in the name of or held by a Depositary or its nominee will be made to the Depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered owner or the holder of the Global Security representing such Indenture Securities. None of the Company, the Trustee for such Indenture Securities, any paying agent or the Security Registrar for such Indenture Securities will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests in a Global Security for such Indenture Securities or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to such beneficial ownership interests.

The Company expects that the Depositary for Indenture Securities of a series, upon receipt of any payment of principal, premium, if any, or interest, if any, in respect of a permanent Global Security, will credit immediately participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the principal amount of such Global Security as shown on the records of such Depositary. The Company also expects that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interests in such Global Security held through such participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in 'street name,' and will be the responsibility of such participants. Receipt by owners of beneficial interests in a temporary Global Security of payments in respect of such subject to restrictions. Any such restrictions will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

If a Depositary for Indenture Securities of a series is at any time unwilling or unable to continue as Depositary and a successor depositary is not appointed by the Company within ninety days, the Company will issue Indenture Securities of such series in definitive form in exchange for the Global Security or Securities representing the Indenture Securities of such series. In addition, the Company may at any time and in its sole discretion determine not to have any Indenture Securities of a series represented by one or more Global Securities and, in such event, will issue Indenture Securities of such series in definitive form in exchange for the Global Security or Securities representing such Indenture Securities. Further, if the Company so specifies with respect to the Indenture Securities of a series, each Person specified by the Depositary of the Global Security representing Indenture Securities of such series may, on terms acceptable to the Company and the Depositary for such Global Security, receive

Indenture Securities of such series in definitive form. In any such instance, each Person so specified by the Depositary of the Global Security will be entitled to physical delivery in definitive form of Indenture Securities of the series represented by such Global Security equal in principal amount to such Person's beneficial interest in the Global Security. Indenture Securities of such series so issued in definitive form will be issued (a) as Registered Securities if the Indenture Securities of such series are to be issued as Registered Securities, (b) as Bearer Securities if the Indenture Securities of such series are to be issued as Bearer Securities of (c) as either Registered or Bearer Securities, if the Indenture Securities of such series are to be issued in either form. A description of certain restrictions on the issuance of a Bearer Security in definitive form in exchange for an interest in a Global Security will be contained in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto. (Section 3.05)

Payment and Paying Agents: Payment of principal of, premium, if any, and interest, if any, on Bearer Securities will be made in the currency or currency unit designated in the Prospectus Supplement, subject to any applicable laws and regulations, at such paying agencies outside the United States as the Company may appoint from time to time. Any such payment may be made, at the option of a holder, by a check in the designated currency or currency unit or by transfer to an account in the designated currency or currency unit maintained by the payee with a bank located outside the United States. No payment with respect to any Bearer Security will be made at the principal corporate trust office of the Trustee or any other paying agency maintained by the Company in the United States nor will any such payment be made by transfer to an account with a bank located, or by check mailed to an address, in the United States. Notwithstanding the foregoing, payments of principal of and premium, if any, and interest, if any, on Bearer Securities may be made in U.S. dollars at the principal corporate trust office of the Trustee in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, if payment of the full amount thereof at all paying agencies outside the United States is illegal or effectively precluded by exchange controls or other similar restrictions. (Sections 3.11 and 5.02)

Unless otherwise set forth in the applicable Prospectus Supplement, payment of principal of and premium, if any, on Registered Securities will be made in the designated currency or currency unit against surrender of such Registered Securities at the principal corporate trust office of the Trustee in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York. Unless otherwise indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, payment of any installment of interest on Registered Securities will be made to the person in whose same such Registered Security is registered at the close of business on the regular record date for such interest. Unless otherwise indicated in the Prospectus Supplement, payments of such interest will be made at the principal corporate trust office of the Trustee in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, or by a check in the designated currency or currency unit mailed to each holder of a Registered Security at such holder's registered address. (Section 3.11)

The paying agents outside the United States initially appointed by the Company for a series of Indenture Securities will be named in the Prospectus Supplement. The Company may terminate the appointment of any of the paying agents from time to time, except that the Company will maintain at least one paying agent in the Borough of Manhattan, The City of New York, for payments with respect to Registered Securities and at least one paying agent in a city in Europe so long as any Bearer Securities are outstanding where Bearer Securities may be presented for payment and may be surrendered for exchange, provided that so long as any series of Indenture Securities is listed on The International Stock Exchange of the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland or the Luxembourg Stock Exchange or any other stock exchange located outside the United States and such stock exchange shall so require, the Company will maintain a paying agent in London or Luxembourg or any other required city located outside the United States, as the case may be, for such series of Indenture Securities. (Section 5.02)

All moneys paid by the Company to a paying agent for the payment of principal of, premium, if any, or interest, if any, on any Indenture Security that remains unclaimed at the end of two years after such principal, premium or interest shall have become due and payable will be repaid to the Company and the holder of such Indenture Security entitled to receive such payment will thereafter look only to the Company for payment thereof. (Section 12.05)

Concerning the Trustee: The Trustee shall, prior to the occurrence of any Event of Default (as defined in the Indenture) with respect to the Indenture Securities of any series and after the curing or

waiving of all Events of Default with respect to such series which have occurred, perform only such duties as are specifically set forth in such Indenture. During the existence of any Event of Default with respect to the Indenture Securities of any series, the Trustee shall exercise such of the rights and powers vested in it under the Indenture with respect to such series and use the same degree of care and skill in their exercise as a prudent man would exercise or use under the circumstances in the conduct of his own affairs.

The Trustee may acquire and hold Indenture Securities and, subject to certain conditions, otherwise deal with the Company as if it were not Trustee under the Indenture. (Section 7.03)

The Company has lines of credit from the Trustee.

Modification of the Indenture: The Indenture contains provisions permitting the Company and the Trustee, without the consent of the holders of the Indenture to establish, among other things, the form and terms of any series Securities. of Indenture Securities issuable thereunder by one or more supplemental indentures, to add covenants and to provide for security for the Indenture Securities, and, with the consent of the holders of not less than a majority of the aggregate principal amount of the Indenture Securities of any series at the time outstanding, evidenced as in the Indenture provided, to execute supplemental indentures adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of the Indenture or of any supplemental indenture with respect to Indenture Securities of such series or modifying in any manner the rights of the holders of the Indenture Securities of such series; provided, however, that no such supplemental indenture shall (i) extend the fixed maturity, or the earlier optional date of maturity, if any, of any Indenture Security of a particular series or reduce the principal amount thereof or the premium thereon, if any, or reduce the rate or extend the time of payment of interest, if any, thereon, or make the principal thereof or premium, if any, or interest, if any, thereon payable in any currency or currency unit other than as provided pursuant to the Indenture or in the Indenture Securities of such series, without the consent of the holder of each Indenture Security so affected, or (ii) reduce the aforesaid percentage of Indenture Securities of any series, the holders of which are required to consent to any such supplemental indenture, without the consent of the holders of all Indenture Securities of such series outstanding thereunder. (Sections 10.01 and 10.02)

Certain Covenants: Unless otherwise provided in the Indenture Securities, the Indenture contains a covenant by the Company not to create, assume or suffer to exist any lien on any Restricted Property (described below) to secure any debt of the Company, any subsidiary or any other person, or permit any subsidiary to do so, without securing the Indenture Securities of any series having the benefit of the covenant by such lien equally and ratably with such debt for so long as such debt shall be so secured, subject to certain exceptions specified in the Indenture. Exceptions include: (a) existing liens or liens on facilities of corporations at the time they become subsidiaries; (b) liens existing on facilities when acquired, or incurred to finance the purchase price, construction or improvement thereof; (c) certain liens in favor of or required by contracts with governmental entities; and (d) liens otherwise prohibited by such covenant, securing indebtedness which, together with the aggregate amount of outstanding indebtedness secured by liens otherwise prohibited by such covenant and the value of certain sale and leaseback transactions, does not exceed 15% of the Company's consolidated net tangible assets (defined in the Indenture as total assets less current liabilities and intangible assets). (Section 5.09)

Unless otherwise provided in the Indenture Securities, the Indenture also contains a covenant by the Company not to, and not to permit any subsidiary to, enter into any sale and leaseback transaction covering any Restricted Property unless (a) the Company would be entitled under the provisions described above to incur debt equal to the value of such sale and leaseback transaction, secured by liens on the facilities to be leased, without equally and ratably securing the Indenture Securities, or (b) the Company, during the six months following the effective date of such sale and leaseback transaction, applies an amount equal to the value of such sale and leaseback transaction to the voluntary retirement of long-term indebtedness or to the acquisition of Restricted Property. (Section 5.10)

The Indenture defines Restricted Property as (a) any manufacturing facility (or portion thereof) owned or leased by the Company or any subsidiary and located within the continental United States which, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, is of material importance to the business of the Company and its subsidiaries taken as a whole, but no such manufacturing facility (or portion thereof) shall be deemed of material importance if its gross book value (before deducting accumulated depreciation) is less than 2% of the Company's consolidated net tangible assets, or (b) any shares of capital stock or indebtedness of any subsidiary owning any such manufacturing facility. (Section 5.09)

Because the covenants described above cover only manufacturing facilities in the continental United States, the Company's manufacturing facilities in Puerto Rico are excluded from the operation of the covenants.

There are no other restrictive covenants contained in the Indenture. The Indenture does not contain any provision which will restrict the Company from incurring, assuming or becoming liable with respect to any indebtedness or other obligations, whether secured or unsecured, or from paying dividends or making other distributions on its capital stock or purchasing or redeeming its capital stock. The Indenture does not contain any financial ratios, or specified levels of net worth or liquidity to which the Company must adhere. In addition, the Indenture does not contain any provision which would require that the Company repurchase or redeem or other events involving the Company which may adversely affect the creditworthiness of the Securities.

Default and Certain Rights on Default: The Indenture provides that upon the happening of any Event of Default with respect to any series of Indenture Securities specified therein (unless it is inapplicable to such series of Indenture Securities or it is specifically deleted in the supplemental indenture or Board Resolution under which such series of Indenture Securities is issued or has been modified in any such supplemental indenture), including (i) failure to pay interest when due on the Indenture Securities of such series outstanding thereunder, continued for 30 days; (ii) failure to pay principal or premium, if any, when due (whether at maturity, declaration or otherwise) on the Indenture Securities of such series outstanding thereunder; (iii) failure to observe or perform any covenant of the Company in the Indenture or the Indenture Securities of such series (other than a covenant included in the Indenture or the Indenture Securities solely for the benefit of a series of Indenture Securities other than such series), continued for 60 days after written notice from the Trustee or the holders of 25% or more in aggregate principal amount of the Indenture Securities of such series outstanding thereunder; (iv) certain events of bankruptcy, insolvency or reorganization; and (v) any other Event of Default as may be specified for such series, the Trustee or the holders of 25% or more in aggregate principal amount of Indenture Securities of such series outstanding thereunder may declare the principal amount of all Indenture Securities of such series to be due and payable immediately, but if all defaults with respect to Indenture Securities of such series (other than non-payment of accelerated principal) are cured and there has been no sale of property under any judgment or decree for the payment of moneys due which shall have been obtained or entered, the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Indenture Securities of such series outstanding thereunder may waive the default and rescind the declaration and its consequences. (Section 6.01)

The Indenture provides that the holders of a majority in aggregate principal amount of the Indenture Securities of any series outstanding thereunder may, subject to certain exceptions, direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to, or exercising any power or trust conferred upon, the Trustee with respect to Indenture Securities of such series and may on behalf of all holders of Indenture Securities of such series waive any past default and its consequences with respect to Indenture Securities of such series, except a default in the payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest, if any, on any of the Indenture Securities of such series. (Section 6.06)

Holders of any Security of any series may not institute any proceeding to enforce the Indenture unless the Trustee shall have refused or neglected to act for 60 days after a request and offer of satisfactory indemnity by the holders of 25% or more in aggregate principal amount of the Indenture Securities of such series outstanding thereunder, but the right of any holder of any Security of any series to enforce payment of the principal of, premium, if any, or interest, if any, on his Indenture Securities when due shall not be impaired without the consent of such holder. (Section 6.04)

The Trustee is required to give the holders of any Security of any series notice of default with respect to such series (Events of Default summarized above, exclusive of any grace period and irrespective of any requirement that notice of default be given) known to it within 90 days after the happening thereof, unless cured before the giving of such notice, but, except for defaults in payments of

the principal of, premium, if any, or interest, if any, on the Indenture Securities of such series, the Trustee may withhold notice if and so long as it determines in good faith that the withholding of such notice is in the interests of the holders of the Securities of such series.

The Company is required to deliver to the Trustee each year an officers' certificate stating whether such officers have obtained knowledge of any default by the Company in the performance of certain covenants and, if so, specifying such default and the nature thereof. (Section 5.06)

Consolidation, Merger and Sale of Assets: The Company, without the consent of the Holders of any of the Outstanding Securities under the Indenture, may consolidate or merge with or into, or transfer or lease substantially all of its assets to, any Person that is a corporation organized and validly existing under the laws of any domestic jurisdiction, or may permit any such Person to consolidate with or merge into the Company or convey, transfer or lease substantially all of its assets to the Company, provided (a) that any successor Person assumes the Company's obligations on the Securities under the Indenture, (b) that after giving effect to the transaction, no Event of Default, and no event which, after notice or lapse of time, would become an Event of Default, shall have occurred and be continuing, and (c) that certain other conditions are met. (Section 11.02)

Defeasance of the Indenture and the Indenture Securities: If the Prospectus Supplement relating to the Offered Securities so provides, the Company at its option (a) will be Discharged (as such term is defined in the Indenture) from any and all obligations in respect of the Offered Securities (except for certain obligations to register the transfer and exchange of Securities, replace stolen, lost or mutilated Securities and coupons, maintain paying agencies and hold moneys for payment in trust) or (b) need not comply with certain restrictive covenants of the Indenture, in each case after the Company deposits with the Trustee thereunder, in trust, money, and, in the case of Securities and coupons deposite the deplace U.S. Covenant obligations (or defined denominated in U.S. dollars, U.S. Government Obligations (as defined in the Indenture) or, in the case of Securities and coupons denominated in a foreign currency, Foreign Government Securities (as defined in the Indenture), which through the payment of interest thereon and principal thereof in accordance with their terms will provide money or a combination of money, and U.S. Government obligations or Foreign Government Securities, as the case may be, in an amount sufficient to pay in the currency, currencies or currency unit or units in which the Offered Securities are payable all the principal of, and interest on, the Offered Securities on the date such payments are due in accordance with the terms of the Offered Securities. Among the conditions to the Company's exercising any such option, the Company is required to deliver to the Trustee an opinion of independent counsel of recognized standing to the effect that the deposit and related defeasance would not cause the Holders of the Offered Securities to recognize income, gain or loss for United States Federal income tax purposes and that the Holders will be subject to United States Federal income tax in the same amounts, in the same manner and at the same time as would have been the case if such deposit and related defeasance had not occurred. (Sections 12.01 and 12.02)

PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION

The Company may offer the Securities (i) to or through one or more underwriters, (ii) to or through dealers, (iii) through agents, or (iv) directly or through its subsidiaries to purchasers. The Prospectus Supplement will describe the method of distribution of the Offered Securities.

The distribution of Offered Securities may be effected from time to time in one or more transactions at a fixed price or prices, which may be changed, at market prices prevailing at the time of sale, at prices related to such market prices or at negotiated prices.

If underwriters are used in the offering of Offered Securities, the names of the managing underwriter or underwriters and any other underwriters, and the terms of the transaction, including compensation of the underwriters and dealers, if any, will be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement relating to such offering. Only underwriters named in a Prospectus Supplement will be deemed to be underwriters in connection with the Offered Securities described therein. Firms not so named will have no direct or indirect participation in the underwriting of such Offered Securities, although such a firm may participate in the distribution of such Offered Securities under circumstances entitling it to a dealer's commission. It is anticipated that any underwriting agreement pertaining to any Offered

Securities will (i) entitle the underwriters to indemnification by the Company against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the 'Securities Act'), or to contribution for payments which the underwriters may be required to make in respect thereof, (ii) provide that the obligations of the underwriters will be subject to certain conditions precedent, and (iii) provide that the underwriters generally will be obligated to purchase all Offered Securities if any are purchased.

The Company also may sell Offered Securities to a dealer as principal. In such event, the dealer may then resell such Offered Securities to the public at varying prices to be determined by such dealer at the time of resale. The name of the dealer and the terms of the transactions will be set forth in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

Offered Securities also may be offered through agents designated by the Company from time to time. Any such agent will be named, and the terms of any such agency will be set forth, in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto. Unless otherwise indicated in such Prospectus Supplement, any such agent will act on a best efforts basis for the period of its appointment.

As one of the means of direct issuance of the Indenture Securities, the Company may utilize the services of any available electronic auction system to conduct an electronic 'dutch auction' of the Indenture Securities among potential purchasers who are eligible to participate in the auction of such Indenture Securities, if so described in the Prospectus Supplement.

Dealers and agents named in a Prospectus Supplement may be deemed to be underwriters (within the meaning of the Securities Act) of the Offered Securities described therein and, under agreements which may be entered into with the Company, may be entitled to indemnification by the Company against certain civil liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act, or to contribution for payments which they may be required to make in respect thereof. Underwriters, dealers and agents may engage in transactions with, or perform services for, the Company in the ordinary course of business.

In connection with the original issuance of Offered Securities issued as Bearer Securities, in order to meet the requirements set forth in U.S. Treasury Regulation Section 1.163-5(c)(2)(i)(D), each underwriter, dealer and agent will agree to certain restrictions in connection with the original issuance of such Offered Securities. Such restrictions will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

Offers to purchase Securities may be solicited directly by the Company or through its subsidiaries and sales thereof may be made by the Company directly to institutional investors or others. The terms of any such sales will be described in the Prospectus Supplement relating thereto.

LEGAL MATTERS

The legality of the Securities offered hereby will be passed upon by Dewey Ballantine, 1301 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York, on behalf of the Company, and Davis Polk & Wardwell, 450 Lexington Avenue, New York, New York, on behalf of the underwriters or agents, if any. Dewey Ballantine and Davis Polk & Wardwell in rendering their opinions, will rely, as to matters governed by the laws of the State of Indiana, upon the opinion of Daniel P. Carmichael, Secretary and Deputy General Counsel for the Company.

EXPERTS

The consolidated financial statements of the Company incorporated by reference in the Company's Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 1994, have been audited by Ernst & Young LLP, independent auditors, as set forth in their report thereon included therein and incorporated herein by reference. Such consolidated financial statements are incorporated herein by reference in reliance upon such report given upon the authority of such firm as experts in accounting and auditing.

PART II INFORMATION NOT REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

ITEM 14. OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION.

| Securities and Exchange Commission registration fee | \$344,800 |
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| Printing and engraving | 15,000* |
| Accounting services | 15,000* |
| Legal services | 50,000* |
| Fees and expenses of Trustee | |
| Rating agency fees | 60,000* |
| Expenses of qualification under state blue sky laws | 15,000* |
| Miscellaneous | 1,200* |
| Total | \$506,000* |
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* Estimated

ITEM 15. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

The Indiana Business Corporation Law provides that a corporation, unless limited by its Articles of Incorporation, is required to indemnify its directors and officers against reasonable expenses incurred in the successful defense of any proceeding arising out of their serving as a director or officer of the corporation.

As permitted by the Indiana Business Corporation Law, the Company's Articles of Incorporation provide for indemnification of directors, officers, and employees of the Company against any and all liability and reasonable expense that may be incurred by them, arising out of any claim or action, civil or criminal in which they may become involved by reason of being or having been a director, officer, or employee. To be entitled to indemnification, those persons must have been wholly successful in the claim or action or the Board of Directors or independent legal counsel must have determined that such persons acted in good faith in what they reasonably believed to be in the best interest of the Company and, in addition, in any criminal action, had no reasonable cause to believe that their conduct was unlawful.

Officers and directors of the Company are insured, subject to certain exclusions and deductible and maximum amounts, against loss from claims arising in connection with their acting in their respective capacities, which include claims under the Securities Act of 1933.

ITEM 16. LIST OF EXHIBITS.

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- 1.1 -- Form of Underwriting Agreement."
- -- Form of Distribution Agreement.** 1.2
- -- Form of Indenture between the Company and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee.* -- Eli Lilly and Company Standard Multiple-Series Indenture Provisions.* 4.1
- 4.2

- 5.1 -- Opinion of Dewey Ballantine as to legality of the securities being registered, including consent.
 5.2 -- Opinion of Daniel P. Carmichael as to legality of the securities being registered, including consent.
 12.1 -- Computation of Ratios of Earnings to Fixed Charges of Eli Lilly and Company and Consolidated Subsidiaries (Continuing Operations Only). D
- -- Consent of Ernst & Young LLP. 23.1
- -- Form T-1 Statement of Eligibility and Qualification under the Trust Indenture Act of 1939 of Citibank, 25.1 N.A., as Trustee.

Incorporated by reference from Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3, Registration No. 33-38347.

- Incorporated by reference from Registrant's Registration Statement on Form S-3, Registration No. 33-56208.
- `D' Incorporated by reference from Registrant's Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 1994.

ITEM 17. UNDERTAKINGS.

The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933, unless the information required to be included in such post-effective amendment is contained in a periodic report filed by the registrant pursuant to section 13 or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and incorporated by reference in this registration statement;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement, unless the information required to be included in such post-effective amendment is contained in a periodic report filed by the registrant pursuant to section 13 or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and incorporated by reference in this registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(4) That, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to section 13(a) or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-3 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Indianapolis, State of Indiana, on April 17, 1995.

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY

By /S/ RANDALL L. TOBIAS (RANDALL L. TOBIAS, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated.

| SIGNATURE | TITLE | DATE |
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| /S/ RANDALL L. TOBIAS (RANDALL L. TOBIAS) | Chairman of the Board, Chief Executive Officer, and a Director (principal executive officer) | April 17, 1995 |
| /S/ JAMES M. CORNELIUS (JAMES M. CORNELIUS) | Vice President, Finance, Chief Financial Officer, and a Director (principal financial officer) | April 17, 1995 |
| /S/ ARNOLD C. HANISH (ARNOLD C. HANISH) | Chief Accounting Officer (principal accounting officer) | April 17, 1995 |
| /S/ STEVEN C. BEERING (STEVEN C. BEERING, M.D.) | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (JAMES W. COZAD) /S/ ALFRED G. GILMAN | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (ALFRED G. GILMAN, M.D., PH.D.) /S/ KAREN N. HORN | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (KAREN N. HORN, PH.D.) /S/ J. CLAYBURN LA FORCE, JR. | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (J. CLAYBURN LA FORCE, JR., PH.D.) /S/ KENNETH L. LAY | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (KENNETH L. LAY, PH.D.) /S/ FRANKLYN G. PRENDERGAST | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (FRANKLYN G. PRENDERGAST, M.D., PH.D.) /S/ KATHI P. SEIFERT | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (KATHI P. SEIFERT) | | |

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| SIGNATURE | TITLE | DATE |
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| /S/ STEPHEN A. STITLE | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (STEPHEN A. STITLE) | | |
| /S/ SIDNEY TAUREL | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (SIDNEY TAUREL) | - | |
| /S/ AUGUST M. WATANABE | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (AUGUST M. WATANABE, M.D.) | - | |
| /S/ ALVA O. WAY | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (ALVA O. WAY) | - | |
| /S/ RICHARD D. WOOD | Director | April 17, 1995 |
| (RICHARD D. WOOD) | - | |

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STATEMENT OF DIFFERENCES

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DEWEY BALLANTINE 1301 AVENUE OF THE AMERICAS NEW YORK 10019-6092 TELEPHONE 212 259-8000 FACSIMILE 212 259-6333

May 1, 1995

Eli Lilly and Company Lilly Corporate Center Indianapolis, Indiana 46285

Dear Sirs:

We refer to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 (the 'Registration Statement') filed by Eli Lilly and Company, an Indiana corporation (the 'Company'), with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the 'Commission') on May 1, 1995 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the 'Securities Act'), relating to \$1,000,000,000.00 (or the equivalent thereof in foreign currencies or currency units) aggregate principal amount of Debt Securities (hereinafter called the 'Securities') of the Company. We also refer to the Indenture, dated as of February 1, 1991, between the Company and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (the 'Indenture'), which is Exhibit 4.1 to the Registration Statement.

We have examined and are familiar with originals, or copies certified or otherwise identified to our satisfaction, of such corporate records of the Company, certificates of officers of the Company and of public officials and such other documents as we have deemed appropriate as a basis for the opinions expressed below.

Based upon the foregoing, it is our opinion that:

1. The Company is a corporation duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the State of Indiana.

2. Assuming the due execution and delivery of the Indenture by the Trustee, upon the taking of appropriate further corporate action by the Company and the due execution and delivery of the Securities on behalf of the Company, the Securities will be duly authorized and, when authenticated in accordance with the Indenture and delivered to and duly paid for by the purchasers thereof, will be valid and binding obligations of the Company,

accordance with their respective terms except as (i) the enforceability thereof may be limited by bankruptcy, insolvency or similar laws affecting creditors' rights generally and (ii) rights of acceleration and the availability of equitable remedies may be limited by equitable principles of general applicability.

We are members of the bar of the State of New York and express no opinion as to the laws of any jurisdiction except the State of New York and the federal law of the United States. As to matters governed by Indiana law, we have relied solely upon the opinion of Mr. Daniel P. Carmichael, Esq., Secretary and Deputy General Counsel to the Company, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

We hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an Exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the reference to our name in the Prospectus constituting a part of such Registration Statement under the heading 'Legal Matters.' In giving such consent, we do not thereby admit that we come within the category of persons whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

> Very truly yours, /s/ Dewey Ballantine

Eli Lilly and Company Lilly Corporate Center Indianapolis, Indiana 46285

Dear Sirs:

I am Secretary and Deputy General Counsel of Eli Lilly and Company, an Indiana corporation (the 'Company'). I refer to the Registration Statement on Form S-3 filed by the Company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the 'Commission') on May 1, 1995, under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the 'Securities Act'), relating to \$1,000,000,000 (or the equivalent thereof in foreign currencies or currency units) aggregate principal amount of Debt Securities (hereinafter called the 'Securities') of the Company. I also refer to the Indenture entered into between the Company and Citibank, N.A., as Trustee (the 'Indenture'), which is incorporated by reference as Exhibit 4.1 to the Registration Statement.

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Based upon the foregoing, it is my opinion that:

1. The Company is a corporation $\mbox{ duly organized and validly existing under the laws of the State of Indiana. }$

2. The Company has full corporate power and authority to execute and deliver the Indenture and to perform its obligations thereunder and, upon the taking of appropriate further corporate action by the Company, to issue the Securities.

I am a member of the bar of the State of Indiana and express no opinion as to the laws of any other jurisdiction.

I hereby consent that Dewey Ballantine may rely upon this opinion as if it were addressed to them.

I hereby consent to the filing of this opinion as an Exhibit to the Registration Statement and to the reference to my name in the Prospectus constituting a part of such Registration Statement under the heading 'Legal Matters.' In giving such consent, I do not thereby admit that I come within the category of a person whose consent is required under Section 7 of the Securities Act or the rules and regulations of the Commission promulgated thereunder.

Very truly yours, /s/ Daniel P. Carmichael Daniel P. Carmichael Secretary and Deputy General Counsel

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[LOGO] One Indiana Square Suite 3400 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2094

> Phone: 317 681 7000 Fax: 317 681 7216

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS

We consent to the reference to our firm under the caption 'Experts' in the Registration Statement on Form S-3 and related Prospectus of Eli Lilly and Company dated May 1, 1995 for the registration of \$1,000,000,000 of debt securities and to the incorporation by reference therein of our report dated February 8, 1995, with respect to the consolidated financial statements of Eli Lilly and Company incorporated by reference in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended December 31, 1994, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ ERNST & YOUNG LLP

May 1, 1995

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM T-1

STATEMENT OF ELIGIBILITY UNDER THE TRUST INDENTURE ACT OF 1939 OF A CORPORATION DESIGNATED TO ACT AS TRUSTEE

Check if an application to determine eligibility of a Trustee pursuant to Section 305(b)(2) ____

CITIBANK, N.A. (Exact name of trustee as specified in its charter)

> 13-5266470 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

399 Park Avenue, New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices) 10043 (Zip Code)

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY (Exact name of obligor as specified in its charter)

Indiana (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) 35-0470950 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Lilly Corporate Center Indianapolis, Indiana (Address of principal executive offices)

46285 (Zip Code)

Debt Securities (Title of the indenture securities)

Item 1. GENERAL INFORMATION.

Furnish the following information as to the trustee:

(a) Name and address of each examining or supervising authority to which it is subject.

| Name | Address |
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| Comptroller of the Currency | Washington, D.C. |
| Federal Reserve Bank of New York | New York, NY |
| Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation | Washington, D.C. |

(b) Whether it is authorized to exercise corporate trust powers.

Yes.

Item 2. AFFILIATIONS WITH OBLIGOR.

If the obligor is an affiliate of the trustee, describe each such affiliation.

None.

Item 16. LIST OF EXHIBITS.

Exhibit 1 - Copy of Articles of Association of the Trustee, as now in effect. (Exhibit 1 to T-1 to Registration Statement No. 2-79983)

Exhibit 2 - Copy of certificate of authority of the Trustee to commence business. (Exhibit 2 to T-1 to Registration Statement No. 2-29577).

Exhibit 3 - Copy of authorization of the Trustee to exercise corporate trust powers. (Exhibit 3 to T-1 to Registration Statement No. 2-55519)

Exhibit 4 - Copy of existing By-Laws of the Trustee. (Exhibit 4 to T-1 to Registration Statement No. 33-34988)

Exhibit 5 - Not applicable.

Exhibit 6 - The consent of the Trustee required by Section 321(b) of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939.(Exhibit 6 to T-1 to Registration Statement No. 33-19227.)

Exhibit 7 - Copy of the latest Report of Condition of Citibank, N.A. (as of December 31, 1994 - attached)

Exhibit 8 - Not applicable.

Exhibit 9 - Not applicable.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Trust Indenture Act of 1939, the Trustee, Citibank, N.A., a national banking association organized and existing under the laws of the United States of America, has duly caused this statement of eligibility to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, all in The City of New York and State of New York, on the 17th day of April, 1995.

CITIBANK, N.A.

By /s/Wafaa Orfy Senior Trust Officer 3 Charter No. 1461 Comptroller of the Currency Northeastern District REPORT OF CONDITION CONSOLIDATING DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN SUBSIDIARIES OF CITIBANK, N. A.

OF NEW YORK IN THE STATE OF NEW YORK, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 31, 1994, PUBLISHED IN RESPONSE TO CALL MADE BY COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY, UNDER TITLE 12, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 161. CHARTER NUMBER 1461 COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY NORTHEASTERN DISTRICT.

| ASSETS | |
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| NOL IO | Thousands of dollars |
| Cash and balances due from de- | |
| pository institutions: | |
| Noninterest-bearing balances and currency and coin | . \$ 6,759,000 |
| Interest-bearing balances | 7,201,000 |
| Securities: | 0.010.000 |
| Held-to-maturity securities Available-for-sale securities | 3,918,000 11,963,000 |
| Federal funds sold and securities | , , |
| purchased under agreements to resell in domestic offices of the | |
| bank and of its Edge and Agree- | |
| ment subsidiaries, and in IBFs: | 4 407 000 |
| Federal funds sold Securities purchased under | 4,427,000 |
| agreements to resell | 1,114,000 |
| Loans and lease financing receiv- ables: | |
| Loans and leases, net of un- | |
| earned income\$128,902,000 | |
| LESS: Allowance for loan and lease losses3,986,000 | |
| · · · · · · | |
| Loans and leases, net of un- earned income and allowance | . 124,916,000 |
| Assets held in trading accounts | 35,573,000 |
| Premises and fixed assets (includ- ing capitalized leases) | 2 102 000 |
| Other real estate owned | 3,192,000 1,967,000 |
| Investments in unconsolidated | |
| subsidiaries and associated com- panies | 998,000 |
| Customers' liability to this bank | |
| on acceptances outstanding Intangible assets | 1,420,000 15,000 |
| Other assets | 7,024,000 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | \$210,487,000 |
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| LIABILITIES | |
| Deposits: In domestic offices | \$ 33,727,000 |
| Noninterest- | \$ 55,727,000 |
| bearing\$12,509,000 | |
| Interest- bearing 21,218,000 | |
| | |
| In foreign offices, Edge and Agreement subsidiaries, and | |
| IBFs | 108,207,000 |
| Noninterest- bearing | |
| Interest- | |
| bearing 101,027,000 | |
| Federal funds purchased and se- | |
| curities sold under agreements to repurchase in domestic offices | |
| of the bank and of its Edge and | |
| Agreement subsidiaries, and in | |
| IBFs: Federal funds purchased | 6,044,000 |
| Securities sold under agree- | |
| ments to repurchase Trading liabilities | 992,000 21,458,000 |
| Other borrowed money: | ,, |
| | |

| With original maturity of one year or less With original maturity of more than one year Mortgage indebtedness and obli- | 7,803,000 3,895,000 |
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| gations under capitalized leases Bank's liability on acceptances ex- | 99,000 |
| ecuted and outstanding Notes and debentures subordi- | 1,440,000 |
| nated to deposits | 5,700,000 |
| Other liabilities | 7,226,000 |
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| TOTAL LIABILITIES | \$196,591,000 |
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| EQUITY CAPITAL | |
| Common stock | \$ 751,000 |
| Surplus | 6,620,000 |
| Undivided profits and capital re- | |
| serves | 6,945,000 |
| Net unrealized holding gains (losses | |
| on available-for-sale securities | , 156,000 |
| Cumulative foreign currency | |
| | (576,000) |
| | |
| TOTAL EQUITY CAPITAL | \$ 13,896,000 |
| | \$ 10,000,000 |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND | |
| EQUITY CAPITAL | \$210,487,000 |
| LYOTH ONLINE | Ψ <u>2</u> 10,407,000 |
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I, Roger W. Trupin, Controller of the abovenamed bank do hereby declare that this Report of Condition is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

ROGER W. TRUPIN

We, the undersigned directors, attest to the correctness of this Report of Condition. We declare that it has been examined by us, and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with the instructions and is true and correct.

| CHRISTOPHER J. STEFFEN |) | | |
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| PAUL J. COLLINS |) | Directors | |
| PEI-YUAN CHIA |) | | |