FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Mahony Susan	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 05/01/2009		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]				
(Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify			If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check	
l	-		below)	below)	App	licable Line)	
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285			Senior VP, Human I	Resources	2		by One Reporting Person by More than One Person
(City) (State) (Zip)							
	Table I - Nor	n-Derivati	ive Securities Beneficial	ly Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			. Amount of Securities eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownersi (Instr. 5)		t Beneficial Ownership	
Common Stock			9,534	D			
Common Stock			251	I	401(401(k)	
Common Stock			280	I	401(k) - by husb		nd
			e Securities Beneficially nts, options, convertible		s)		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerc Expiration Day/ (Month/Day/	ate	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr.		4. Conversion or Exercise	se 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 10/01 (right to buy)	10/03/2003	10/04/2011	Common Stock	1,100	79.28	I	by husband
Employee stock option 10/99 (right to buy)	10/18/2002	10/16/2009	Common Stock	2,200	66.375	I	by husband
Employee stock option 2/01 (right to buy)	02/20/2004	02/18/2011	Common Stock	4,300	73.98	D	
Employee stock option 2/01 (right to buy)	02/20/2004	02/18/2011	Common Stock	2,550	73.98	I	by husband
Employee stock option 2/02 (right to buy)	02/18/2005	02/17/2012	Common Stock	2,350	75.92	I	by husband
Employee stock option 2/02 (right to buy)	02/18/2005	02/17/2012	Common Stock	8,500	75.92	D	
Employee stock option 2/03 (right to buy)	02/16/2006	02/15/2013	Common Stock	10,300	57.85	D	
Employee stock option 2/03 (right to buy)	02/16/2006	02/15/2013	Common Stock	2,350	57.85	I	by husband
Employee stock option 2/04 (right to buy)	02/19/2007	02/14/2014	Common Stock	9,000	73.11	D	
Employee stock option 2/04 (right to buy)	02/19/2007	02/14/2014	Common Stock	3,700	73.11	I	by husband
Employee stock option 2/05 (right to buy)	02/11/2008	02/10/2015	Common Stock	1,065	55.65	I	by husband
Employee stock option 2/05 (right to buy)	02/11/2008	02/10/2015	Common Stock	8,521	55.65	D	
Employee stock option 2/06 (right to buy)	02/10/2009	02/09/2016	Common Stock	9,036	56.18	D	
Employee stock option 2/06 (right to buy)	02/10/2009	02/09/2016	Common Stock	1,175	56.18	I	by husband

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Susan Mahony

05/06/2009

** 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.

Susan Mahony

May 4, 2009