FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PAUL STEVEN M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2006							X Officer below)	r (give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line	S. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S	tate)	(Zip)															
		Tab	le I - Non-E	Derivati	ve Se	curities	s Acc	quired, D	isp	osed o	f, or Bei	neficiall	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,		Code (Instr. 5)			5. Amou Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	rities ficially ed Following		: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
								Code V	,	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)		[instr. 4)	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	e (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date if any (Month/Day/Yea	Code	saction e (Instr.	n of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amor of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ve es ially ng d tion(s)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
		Code V		· v			Date Exercisable		opiration	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Employee stock option 2/06 (right to buy)	\$56.18	02/10/2006		A		72,289		02/10/2009	02	2/09/2016	Common Stock	72,289	\$0.00	72,28	9	D		

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Bronwen Mantlo for Steven M. Paul, authorization on file

02/14/2006

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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