FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT	OF CHANGES IN	BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* LILLY ENDOWMENT INC (Last) (First) (Middle) 2801 NORTH MERIDIAN STREET (Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46208-0068						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/18/2015 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director					
(City)	(Sta		Zip)																
Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transactic Date (Month/Day/				ion	2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		ount of ities icially d Following ted action(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock				09/18/2	015)15					208,364	(A) or (D)	\$88.9)17 ⁽¹⁾	<u> </u>	3 and 4) ,412,440		D	
Common Stock 09/18/2					015	15			S		41,636	D	\$89.6	39.663 ⁽²⁾		129,370,804		D	
		Та	ble II								oosed of, convertib				wned				
Security or (Instr. 3) Pr	erivative conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Price of Derivative Security Date (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) 8)		Transa Code (Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)				ate	Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	O F D O (I)	o. wnership orm: irect (D) Indirect (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$88.42 to \$89.41, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Eli Lilly & Company, any security holder of Eli Lilly & Company, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (1) and (2) to this Form 4.

2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$89.42 to \$90.23, inclusive.

Remarks:

/s/ Diane M. Stenson, Vice
President and Treasurer, on
behalf of Lilly Endowment Inc.

** 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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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