FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Fyrwald J Erik						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/29/2008									Offic	Officer (give title below)		10% Owner Other (specify below)		
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									e) X For	or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable m filed by One Reporting Person m filed by More than One Reporting son				
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Date)						Execution Date,			Transaction Disposed C Code (Instr. 5)			ies Acquired (A) o Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Secu Bene Owne	ficially ed Following	6. Owne Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr.	irect direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
						Code	v	Amount	(A (D) or)	Price		saction(s) . 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock 08/29/						2008		A		138 A		A	\$48.	32	10,723					
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,		ansaction of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispr of (D (Instr. and 5		rities ired osed . 3, 4	6. Date E Expiratio (Month/D	n Date	е	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amour or Numbe of		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Own Forn Direc or In (I) (Ir	ership i: et (D) direct istr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Bronwen Mantlo for J. Erik Fyrwald, authorization on file

08/29/2008

** 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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