## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| Murphy (Last)  | ame and Address of Reporting Person*  LIPPLY Anthony John  St) (First) (Middle)  LLY CORPORATE CENTER |      |                               |                        |  | Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     LILLY ELI & CO [ LLY ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)     01/25/2008 |         |                                      |  |   |                 |   |                        |       |   | tionship of Reporting Person(s) to Issue all applicable) Director 10% Owne Officer (give title below) Senior VP, Human Resources |  |   |  | Owner<br>(specify        |
|--|---|------|-------------------------------|------------------------|--|--|---------|--------------------------------------|--|---|-----------------|---|------------------------|-------|---|--|--|---|--|--------------------------|
| (Street) INDIAN (City)   | APOLIS IN   |      | 46285<br>Zip)                 |                        | 4. If  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)   |         |                                      |  |   |                 |   | i. Indivi<br>ine)<br>X | Forn  | ual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |  |  |   |  |                          |
|  |   | Tabl | e I - No                      | n-Deriv                | ative  | Se   | curitie | s Acc                                | uired,   | Dis                                     | posed o         | f, o  | r Ben                  | efici | ally (  | Owne   | ed                                     |   |  |                          |
| Dat  |   |      | 2. Transa<br>Date<br>(Month/D | saction<br>n/Day/Year) |  | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year)  |         | Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5) |  | ies Acquired (A)<br>Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |                 |   | 4 and Se<br>Be<br>Ov   |       | ount of<br>ities<br>icially<br>d Following  | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4)  |  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |                          |
|  |   |      |                               |                        |  |  |         | Code                                 | v  | Amount                                  | mount (A) or Pr |   | Price                  | •     | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)  |  |  |   | (11150.4)  |                          |
| Common Stock 01/2  |   |      |                               | 01/25                  | /2008  | 2008   |         | A                                    |  | 21,574                                  | 21,574 A        |   | \$50                   | 0.74  | 55,372  |  | Г                                      | ı   |  |                          |
| Common Stock   |   |      |                               |                        |  |  |         |                                      |  |   |                 |   |                        |       |   | 1  | 0,966                                  | I(:   | )  | by wife,<br>E.<br>Murphy |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |      |                               |                        |  |  |         |                                      |  |   |                 |   |                        |       |   |  |  |   |  |                          |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | Derivative Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any                        |      |                               |                        | ansaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |  |         | Expiratio                            | 5. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)  Date Expiration |   |                 | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |                        | nt    |   | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)                                  | Owr<br>Forr<br>Dire<br>or Ir<br>(I) (I | ership<br>1:<br>ct (D)<br>direct<br>nstr. 4)                      | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                          |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

### Remarks:

Bronwen Mantlo for Anthony 01/29/2008 J. Murphy, authorization on file

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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