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* 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)				
<u>FyIwalu J Elik</u>															X Dire	ctor	109	6 Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2008									er (give title w)		er (specify ow)	
		4 If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable							
(Street)		" "										Line)							
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(City)	(St	ate) (2	Zip)																
		Tabl	e I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	es Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or I	3ene	eficia	lly Own	ed			
1 Title of 9	Security (Inct	r 3)		2. Transa	ction	2	A. Deem	ed	3.		4. Securiti	es Acai	iired (Δ) or	5 Am	ount of	6. Ownershi	7. Nature	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Executio			Transaction Disposed C		Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			1 5) Secui Benet Owne	rities ricially d Following	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
						Code	v	Amount (A)		or	Price		rted action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)				
Common	Stock	/2008	2008		A		188	A	A	\$46.2	205	11,019	D						
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) Price of Derivative Security Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			ansaction of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Exercisable Date			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of Title Shares		ount	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)			

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Bronwen Mantlo for J. Erik Fyrwald, authorization on file

09/30/2008

** 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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