FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name ar		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)									
GULD										X Directo	Director			Owner					
(Last)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/07/2005								X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Exec. Vice President and CFO									
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(Si	-	(Zip)																
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D				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Exer) if a	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					5. Amoun Securities Beneficia Owned Fo	Forn Ily (D) o		Direct Indirect tr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a				(Instr. 4)	
Common	Stock	/2005	05			М		3,322	A	\$52.1	68,3	68,301		D					
Common										21,3	21,392		I	by Golden Associates LP					
Common	Stock										1,324		I 4		401(k)				
		7	able II								oosed of converti			y Owned		,	,		
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ned 4.			of I		6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		te	Amount of		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s (Instr. 4)		10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa	ble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Employee stock option 3/96 (right to buy)	\$30.095	\$ 30.095 12/07/2005		M			3,322	03/18/19	999	03/17/2006	Common Stock	3,322	\$0.00	29,170		D			

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Bronwen Mantlo for Charles E. Golden, authorization on file

** 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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