FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section 30(n) of the investment Company Act of 1940	
	ss of Reporting Person		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2801 NORTH MERIDIAN STREET (Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46208-0068 (City) (State) (Zip)		` '	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/16/2007	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(Street) INDIANA	POLIS IN	46208-0	068						X	Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)											
		Table I - No	n-Derivative	Securities Acq	uired,	Dis	-			Owned	4		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.		4. Securities Disposed Of 5)	Acquired (D) (Instr.	(A) or 3, 4 and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code V		Amount (A) or (D) Pri		Price				
1-Common	Stock		05/16/2007	·	S		400	D	\$58.95	138,635,404	D		
2-Common	Stock		05/16/2007	·	S		836	D	\$58.96	138,634,568	D		
3-Common	Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		1,564	D	\$58.97	138,633,004	D		
4-Common	Stock		05/16/2007	·	S		600	D	\$58.98	138,632,404	D		
5-Common	Stock		05/16/2007	·	S		5,300	D	\$58.99	138,627,104	D		
6-Common	Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		6,700	D	\$59	138,620,404	D		
7-Common	Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		3,200	D	\$59.01	138,617,204	D		
8-Common	Stock		05/16/2007	·	S		7,000	D	\$59.02	138,610,204	D		
9-Common	Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		7,500	D	\$59.03	138,602,704	D		
10-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		5,700	D	\$59.04	138,597,004	D		
11-Commo	ı Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		3,100	D	\$59.05	138,593,904	D		
12-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		6,000	D	\$59.06	138,587,904	D		
13-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		6,400	D	\$59.07	138,581,504	D		
14-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		900	D	\$59.08	138,580,604	D		
15-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		2,300	D	\$59.09	138,578,304	D		
16-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		3,300	D	\$59.1	138,575,004	D		
17-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		13,900	D	\$59.11	138,561,104	D		
18-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		5,000	D	\$59.12	138,556,104	D		
19-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		1,100	D	\$59.13	138,555,004	D		
20-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		5,900	D	\$59.14	138,549,104	D		
21-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		3,900	D	\$59.15	138,545,204	D		
22-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		7,800	D	\$59.16	138,537,404	D		
23-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		3,600	D	\$59.17	138,533,804	D		
24-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		2,500	D	\$59.18	138,531,304	D		
25-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		6,300	D	\$59.19	138,525,004	D		
26-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		4,400	D	\$59.2	138,520,604	D		
27-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		5,100	D	\$59.21	138,515,504	D		
28-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		4,000	D	\$59.22	138,511,504	D		
29-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		5,119	D	\$59.23	138,506,385	D		
30-Commo	n Stock		05/16/2007	,	S		4,481	D	\$59.24	138,501,904	D		

		Та	able II - Deriva (e.g., p					ired, Disp options, o							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

This is the first of two Forms 4 filed by the Reporting Person on same date, May 17, 2007, representing transactions #1 through #30 of 49 total transactions.

by:/s/Diane M. Stenson,

<u>Treasurer, on behalf of Lilly</u> <u>05/17/2007</u>

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).
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