FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section 30(n) or the investment Company Act of 1940					
	ss of Reporting Persor		2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [ LLY ]	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director X 10% Owner				
(Last) 2801 NORTH M	(First) (Middle) NORTH MERIDIAN STREET		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/13/2006	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)				
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS (City)	S IN (State)	46208-0068 (Zip)	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				

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction	2A. Deemed	3.		4. Securities	Acquired	(A) or	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature
	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(111511.4)
1-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		1,200	D	\$57.5	147,244,604	D	
2-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		2,000	D	\$57.49	147,242,604	D	
3-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		3,800	D	\$57.47	147,238,804	D	
4-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		3,000	D	\$57.46	147,235,804	D	
5-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		5,000	D	\$57.42	147,230,804	D	
6-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		3,400	D	\$57.31	147,227,404	D	
7-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		3,100	D	\$57.3	147,224,304	D	
8-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		700	D	\$57.29	147,223,604	D	
9-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		2,600	D	\$57.28	147,221,004	D	
10-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		3,000	D	\$57.27	147,218,004	D	
11-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		3,400	D	\$57.26	147,214,604	D	
12-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		13,400	D	\$57.25	147,201,204	D	
13-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		20,100	D	\$57.24	147,181,104	D	
14-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		4,400	D	\$57.23	147,176,704	D	
15-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		9,300	D	\$57.22	147,167,404	D	
16-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		19,100	D	\$57.21	147,148,304	D	
17-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		68,600	D	\$57.2	147,079,704	D	
18-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		7,700	D	\$57.19	147,072,004	D	
19-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		5,900	D	\$57.18	147,066,104	D	
20-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		16,500	D	\$57.17	147,049,604	D	
21-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		12,000	D	\$57.16	147,037,604	D	
22-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		9,400	D	\$57.15	147,028,204	D	
23-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		800	D	\$57.14	147,027,404	D	
24-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		1,600	D	\$57.13	147,025,804	D	
25-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		2,000	D	\$57.1	147,023,804	D	
26-Common Stock	03/13/2006		S		3,000	D	\$57.08	147,020,804	D	

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 Ta Date (Month/Day/Year)	He Premberiva Execution Date, if any (e.g., p -(Month/Day/Year)	Transa Uts <sub>ije</sub> Q	ecuri	the support of (A) or Disposof (D) (Instrant)	red sed 3, 4	ifeatasien Expiration de Quationsyrt	iseerof, ite Zanvertib	OF Bigneficiall Amount of the Amount of the Second Strices of the Second Strices of the Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	y <sup>8</sup> Grive et 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)
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Remarks						of (D) (Instr. and 5	3, 4	İ				Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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