FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name an LILLY		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner											
(Last) 2801 NO		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2015									Office below	er (give title w)		Other below)	(specify						
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46208-0068 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Ye						Execution Date,		ate,	3. 4. Securities Acq Transaction Code (Instr. 8) d. Securities Acq Disposed Of (D) (d 5) Securi Benefi Owner		icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			action(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)		
Common Stock 12/15/201						15			S		215,000	D	\$85.5	595 ⁽¹⁾ 128		,065,804	D				
		Та	ble II								osed of, convertib				vned						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		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. and 4)				9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	wnership orm: irect (D) Indirect	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares								

Explanation of Responses:

1. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$85.12 to \$85.955, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Eli Lilly & Company, any security holder of Eli Lilly & Company, or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the range set forth in footnote (1) to this Form 4.

Remarks:

See attached footnotes page.

/s/Diane M. Stenson, Vice President and Treasurer, on behalf of Lilly Endowment Inc.

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

12/16/2015

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

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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