FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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Zakrowski Donald A	Date of Event equiring Statement Month/Day/Year) 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]							
(Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER			Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner			5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		
			X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(Street)			Chief Accounting	Officer		Y Form filed by	y One Reporting Person	
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(City) (State) (Zip)								
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned								
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Amount of Securities eneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Common Stock			2,772	I 401(k)		(k)		
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		
Employee stock option 2/03 (right to buy)	02/16/2006	02/15/2013	Common Stock	500	57.85	D		
Employee stock option 2/04 (right to buy)	02/19/2007	02/14/2014	Common Stock	600	73.11	D		
Restricted Stock Unit	12/03/2012	12/03/2012	Common Stock	1,641	(1)	D		
Restricted Stock Unit	12/03/2017	12/03/2017	Common Stock	3,281	(1)	D		

Explanation of Responses:

1. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Eli Lilly and Company common stock.

Remarks:

Donald A. Zakrowski

11/07/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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