FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| Name and Address of Reporting Person* OBERHELMAN DOUGLAS R | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY] | | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issi (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Ow | | | |
|--|--|------|-------|--------------|--|--|---------------------------|-----------|--|-----|--------------------|---|------|--|---|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER | | | | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/30/2012 | | | | | | | | | | icer (give title ow) | Oth belo | er (specify w) |
| (Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285 (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | ine) X Fo Fo | ividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable 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. Transa Date (Month/L | | | | | | Execution [| | n Date, | Code (Instr | | | | | nd Sec Ben Owr | mount of urities eficially led Following orted | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Ownership | |
| | | | | | | | Code | v | Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | Trar | saction(s) r. 3 and 4) | | (Instr. 4) | | |
| Common | /2012 | 2012 | | A | | 3,083 | | A \$47. | | .03 | 16,427 | | | | | | | |
| | 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) | ive Conversion Date Execution Da y or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any | | Date, | Code (Instr. | | of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) o Dispo | r osed) r. 3, 4 | Expiratio | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code V | | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisa | | Expiration Date | Numb of Title Share | | | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

<u>Jamie Haney for Douglas</u>
<u>Oberhelman, authorization on 12/03/2012</u>
<u>file</u>

** 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).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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Douglas R. Oberhelman Lilly Corporate Center Indianapolis, Indiana 46285

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Authorization Regarding Reporting Forms

I hereby authorize and designate the following persons to sign and file with the Commission on my behalf Forms 3, 4 and 5 covering my transactions and holdings in the common stock and other equity securities of Eli Lilly and Company as required by Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder:

Michael J. Harrington, Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, Indiana

 $\,$ James B. Lootens, Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, Indiana $\,$

Jamie E. Haney, Lilly Corporate Center, Indianapolis, Indiana

This authorization and designation shall remain in effect until a written revocation is signed by me and provided to the Commission.

October 15, 2012

/s/ Douglas R. Oberhelman