

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * <u>LECHLEITER JOHN C</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>LILLY CORPORATE CENTER</u> (Street) <u>INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Chairman, President and CEO</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>11/03/2015</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> 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/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)	Price			
Common Stock	11/03/2015		M		70,964	A	\$56.18	725,165	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2015		F		58,853	D	\$82.04	666,312	D	
Common Stock	07/30/2015		G	V	298	D	\$0	666,014	D	
Common Stock	05/29/2015		G	V	685	D	\$0	665,329	D	
Common Stock	05/28/2015		G	V	11,972	D	\$0	653,357	D	
Common Stock								20,403	I	401(k)
Common Stock								49,102	I	by wife ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock								22,589	I	by family limited partnership ⁽²⁾
Common Stock								72,140	I	The John C. Lechleiter Spouse and Descendants Trust dtd 11/1/12 ⁽³⁾

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 Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	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. 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
Employee stock option 2/06 (right to buy)	\$56.18	11/03/2015		M			70,964	02/10/2009	02/09/2016	Common Stock	70,964	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- Family limited partnership of which reporting person and his wife are the general partners. Reporting person disclaim beneficial ownership of shares held by family limited partnership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- Irrevocable trust for the benefit of reporting person's spouse and children. Spouse is trustee. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.

Remarks:

Tiffany R. Benjamin for John C. Lechleiter, authorization on 11/05/2015 file

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

* 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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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 (including any amendments thereto) 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

Tiffany R. Benjamin, 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.

November 4, 2015

/s/ John C. Lechleiter