FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* TAI JACKSON P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]									Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2016										Director Officer (give title below)		10% Owner Other (specify below)		
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									ine) X Fo	lividual 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/D						Execution			Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			nd Sed Bed Ow	mount of urities leficially ned Following lorted	Fori	Ownership m: Direct or Indirect Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Tra	nsaction(s) tr. 3 and 4)			(msu. 4)	
Common	12/16	12/16/2016				P		1,375	A \$72		2.64	48,815		D						
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
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			v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	of	ires									

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

<u>Tiffany R. Benjamin for</u>
<u>Jackson P. Tai, authorization on 12/16/2016</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).

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