FORM 4

### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  LECHLEITER JOHN C				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol  LILLY ELI & CO [ LLY ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
LLCIII		OTH C												X					Owner
(Last)	`	rirst) TE CENTER	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/26/2012								X	X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Chairman, President, and CEO				
(Street)	APOLIS I	N	46285		4.	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						
(City)	(S	state)	(Zip)		-										Form file Person	ed by Mo	ore than	One Rep	orting
		Та	ble I - No	on-De	rivati	ve Se	ecurities	s Acc	quired	, Dis	sposed c	f, or Be	neficia	ally	Owned				
I may be booking (mount)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ear) E	) if any		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an			l 5)	Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price		Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and				(Instr. 4)
Common	Stock			01/2	6/201	2			A		59,601	A	\$39.4	44	237,8	64	Ι	)	
Common	Stock														22,58	39	I(	1)	by family limited partnership
Common	Stock														54,24	12	I(	2)	by wife
Common Stock											17,988		I		401(k)				
Common Stock											18,195		$I^{(3)}$ $I$		John C. Lechleiter 2010.3-2 GRAT				
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) if any (Month/Day/Year)		Date, Transaction			on Derivative		6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		of Securities		ies g Security	Derivative Security		9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownersh Form: Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share	r	(Instr. 4)				
Restricted Stock Unit	(4)	01/26/2012			A		132,367		02/01/20	013	02/01/2013	Common Stock	132,36	67	\$0.00	132,	367	D	

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. 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
- 2. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- $3.\ Grantor\ retained\ annuity\ trust\ established\ by\ reporting\ person.\ Reporting\ person\ is\ trustee.$
- 4. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Eli Lilly and Company common stock.

## Remarks:

Bronwen Mantlo for John C. Lechleiter, authorization on file

01/30/2012

\*\* 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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