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* ROSE JOHN SIR					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					
					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/27/2004										er (give title		(specify		
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ine) X 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. Transact Date (Month/Day					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr.		iired (nstr. 3	A) or 3, 4 and	5) Secur Benef	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)					
									Code	v	Amount	Amount (A) or Pr		Price	Trans	action(s) 3 and 4)		(instr. 4)	
Common	Stock			02/27/	2004 02/27/2004		A		73		1	\$73. 1	95	201	D				
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																		
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Explanation of Responses:

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02/27/2004

** 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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