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# 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 <sup>*</sup><br>SEIFERT KATHLP |          | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>LILLY ELI &amp; CO</u> [ LLY ] |   | tionship of Reporting Perso<br>all applicable)<br>Director | n(s) to Issuer<br>10% Owner |  |
|--|----------|---|---|--|-----------------------------|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle)<br>LILLY CORPORATE CENTER                      |          | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br>12/31/2004                          | -   | Officer (give title below)                                 | Other (specify below)       |  |
| (Street)<br>INDIANAPOLIS IN 46<br>(City) (State) (Zip                  | 5285<br> | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                                | <ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applic Line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul> |  |                             |  |
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### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |      |   |        |               | 3, 4 and | Securities                         | Form: Direct | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|------|---|--------|---------------|----------|------------------------------------|--------------|---|
|                                 |  |   | Code | v | Amount | (A) or<br>(D) | Price    | Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |              | (1130.4)  |
| Common Stock                    | 12/31/2004                                 | 12/31/2004  | A    |   | 33     | A             | \$55.75  | 13,752.86                          | D            |   |

#### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4<br>and 5) |     | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration Da<br>(Month/Day/Y | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3<br>and 4) |       | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|---|-----|--|---|-------|---|--|--|--|--|
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)   | (D) | Date<br>Exercisable                            | Expiration<br>Date  | Title | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares              |  |  |  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

James B. Lootens for Kathi P. Seifert, authorization on file

01/03/2005

\*\* 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).

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