FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

OMB APPROVAL
--------------

OMB Number: 3235-0287 Estimated average burden hours per response: 0.5

## Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

	or Section 30(n) of the investment Company Act of 1940	
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LILLY ENDOWMENT INC</u>	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)  Director X 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2801 NORTH MERIDIAN STREET	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 08/15/2005	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46208-0068 (City) (State) (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN	46208-0068					X	X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State)	(Zip)						<i>a</i> · n	•				
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 Disposed Of	Acquired	(A) or	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					
1-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		200	D	\$53.38	148,955,604	D			
2-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		100	D	\$53.37	148,955,504	D			
3-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		500	D	\$53.36	148,955,004	D			
4-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		2,000	D	\$53.35	148,953,004	D			
5-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		1,200	D	\$53.34	148,951,804	D			
6-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		3,000	D	\$53.33	148,948,804	D			
7-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		1,700	D	\$53.32	148,947,104	D			
8-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		2,600	D	\$53.31	148,944,504	D			
9-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		4,400	D	\$53.3	148,940,104	D			
10-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		3,500	D	\$53.29	148,936,604	D			
11-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		2,800	D	\$53.28	148,933,804	D			
12-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		7,000	D	\$53.27	148,926,804	D			
13-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		7,400	D	\$53.26	148,919,404	D			
14-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		5,200	D	\$53.25	148,914,204	D			
15-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		5,200	D	\$53.24	148,909,004	D			
16-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		4,400	D	\$53.23	148,904,604	D			
17-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		5,600	D	\$53.22	148,899,004	D			
18-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		1,800	D	\$53.21	148,897,204	D			
19-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		3,600	D	\$53.2	148,893,604	D			
20-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		1,600	D	\$53.19	148,892,004	D			
21-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		2,100	D	\$53.18	148,889,904	D			
22-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		400	D	\$53.17	148,889,504	D			
23-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		3,200	D	\$53.16	148,886,304	D			
24-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		6,100	D	\$53.15	148,880,204	D			
25-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		6,200	D	\$53.14	148,874,004	D			
26-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		4,800	D	\$53.13	148,869,204	D			
27-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		8,000	D	\$53.12	148,861,204	D			
28-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		3,900	D	\$53.11	148,857,304	D			
29-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		1,000	D	\$53.1	148,856,304	D			
30-Common Stock	08/15/2005		S		1,000	D	\$53.09	148,855,304	D			

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. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		1		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	Amount or Number of Shares				

**Explanation of Responses:** 

## Remarks:

This is the first of two Forms 4 filed by the Reporting Person on same date, August 16, 2005, representing transactions #1 through #30 of 38 total transactions.

<u>by:/s/David D. Biber, Secretary</u> <u>and Treasurer on behalf of</u> <u>08/16/2005</u> <u>Lilly Endowment, Inc.</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  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.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB Number.