## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name ar		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)  X Director 10% Owner								
(Last) (First) (Middle) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2004								Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	specify
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN 46285 (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Indi Line) X	·					
				Deriv	ztive	Sec	uritie	<u> </u>	auired D	isnoser	of or l	Renefic	ially	Owner	1			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Day					action	ction 2A. Deemed Execution Date,			3. Transacti Code (Ins	Transaction Disposed Of (I Code (Instr. 5)			or	5. Amount of		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
									Code V	Amou	ount (A) or (D)		се	Transact	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
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 D if any (Month/Day/	ate,	4. Transactio Code (Instr 8)				6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		S (I	. Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owner Form: Direct or Indi	Ownership	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiratio Date	ı Title	Amou or Numl of Share	er					
Director stock option (right to buy)	\$73.11	02/17/2004	02/17/200	04	A		2,800		02/19/2007	02/14/203	4 Comm Stock		00	\$0	2,800		D	

**Explanation of Responses:** 

Bronwen Mantlo for Franklyn

G. Prendergast, authorization

02/19/2004

on

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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