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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Perso LILLY ENDOWMENT INC		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LILLY ELI & CO</u> [LLY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director X 10% Owner
L (Last) (Eirst) (Middlo)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/07/2004	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN (City) (State)	46208-0068 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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)					5. Amount of Securities 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(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
1-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,000	D	\$76.85	152,994,804	D		
2-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		800	D	\$76.76	152,994,004	D		
3-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,000	D	\$76.7	152,993,004	D		
4-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,000	D	\$76.69	152,992,004	D		
5-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,000	D	\$76.66	152,991,004	D		
6-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,000	D	\$76.65	152,990,004	D		
7-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		700	D	\$76.63	152,989,304	D		
8-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		400	D	\$76.6	152,988,904	D		
9-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		2,900	D	\$76.59	152,986,004	D		
10-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		600	D	\$76.57	152,985,404	D		
11-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		4,100	D	\$76.56	152,981,304	D		
12-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		2,900	D	\$76.55	152,978,404	D		
13-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		3,100	D	\$76.54	152,975,304	D		
14-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		5,100	D	\$76.53	152,970,204	D		
15-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		600	D	\$76.52	152,969,604	D		
16-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		3,000	D	\$76.5	152,966,604	D		
17-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		600	D	\$76.48	152,966,004	D		
18-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		600	D	\$76.46	152,965,404	D		
19-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,000	D	\$76.45	152,964,404	D		
20-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		700	D	\$76.43	152,963,704	D		
21-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,000	D	\$76.42	152,962,704	D		
22-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		3,600	D	\$76.41	152,959,104	D		
23-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,600	D	\$76.4	152,957,504	D		
24-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,800	D	\$76.36	152,955,704	D		
25-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,400	D	\$76.32	152,954,304	D		
26-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,000	D	\$76.3	152,953,304	D		
27-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,800	D	\$76.29	152,951,504	D		
28-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		2,000	D	\$76.28	152,949,504	D		
29-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		600	D	\$76.27	152,948,904	D		
30-Common Stock	05/07/2004		S		1,600	D	\$76.26	152,947,304	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)				6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		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, May 10, 2004, representing transactions #1 through #30 of 60 total transactions.

by:/s/David D. Biber, Secretaryand Treasurer on behalf ofLilly Endowment, Inc.

** 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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