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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 Pe	rson*	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)					
<u>SEIFERT KATHI P</u>		t	X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) LILLY CORPORATE CENTER	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/30/2004	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
		4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) Line)						
(Street) INDIANAPOLIS IN	46285		X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City) (State)	(Zip)		Person					

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)						Securities	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Common Stock	04/30/2004	04/30/2004	A		31	A	\$73.12	12,661.86	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)		of		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)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	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:

Bronwen Mantlo for Kathi P. Seifert, authorization on file

04/30/2004

** 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).

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