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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] 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
(Last) (First) (Middle) 2801 NORTH MERIDIAN STREET	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2004	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)	 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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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	02/25/2004		S		1,400	D	\$72.84	154,119,404	D		
2-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		5,100	D	\$72.8	154,114,304	D		
3-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		5,700	D	\$72.79	154,108,604	D		
4-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		1,400	D	\$72.78	154,107,204	D		
5-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		1,400	D	\$72.77	154,105,804	D		
6-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		3,300	D	\$72.74	154,102,504	D		
7-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		1,400	D	\$72.73	154,101,104	D		
8-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		5,600	D	\$72.72	154,095,504	D		
9-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		5,500	D	\$72.7	154,090,004	D		
10-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		10,000	D	\$72.7	154,080,004	D		
11-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		5,000	D	\$72.69	154,075,004	D		
12-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		2,600	D	\$72.68	154,072,404	D		
13-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		2,800	D	\$72.67	154,069,604	D		
14-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		4,500	D	\$72.66	154,065,104	D		
15-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		9,300	D	\$72.65	154,055,804	D		
16-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		5,900	D	\$72.64	154,049,904	D		
17-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		9,900	D	\$72.63	154,040,004	D		
18-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		2,500	D	\$72.62	154,037,504	D		
19-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		3,000	D	\$72.61	154,034,504	D		
20-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		5,100	D	\$72.6	154,029,404	D		
21-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		2,700	D	\$72.59	154,026,704	D		
22-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		1,400	D	\$72.58	154,025,304	D		
23-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		3,800	D	\$72.56	154,021,504	D		
24-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		3,600	D	\$72.55	154,017,904	D		
25-Common Stock	02/25/2004		s		2,100	D	\$72.54	154,015,804	D		
26-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		2,500	D	\$72.51	154,013,304	D		
27-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		8,800	D	\$72.5	154,004,504	D		
28-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		1,200	D	\$72.45	154,003,304	D	1	
29-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		1,200	D	\$72.44	154,002,104	D		
30-Common Stock	02/25/2004		S		1,300	D	\$72.41	154,000,804	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)		and 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 Form 4 filed by the Reporting Person on February 26, 2004, represents transactions #1 through #30 of 30 total transactions.

by:/s/David D. Biber, Secretary and Treasurer on behalf of 02/26/2004 Lilly Endowment, Inc. Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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