LILLY ELI & CO Form 4 May 18, 2006

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LILLY ENDOWMENT INC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

LILLY ELI & CO [LLY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

Director

_X__ 10% Owner

2801 NORTH MERIDIAN STREET

05/17/2006

Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Check all applicable)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

> _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46208-0068

(City)	(State) (Zip	Table I	- Non-Deri	vative Sec	curitie	s Acquir	ed, Disposed of, o	r Beneficially	Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 5)	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)
91-Common Stock	05/17/2006		Code V S	Amount 1,100	(D)	Price \$ 50.96	144,761,804	D	
92-Common Stock	05/17/2006		S	2,200	D	\$ 50.95	144,759,604	D	
93-Common Stock	05/17/2006		S	300	D	\$ 50.94	144,759,304	D	
94-Common Stock	05/17/2006		S	400	D	\$ 50.93	144,758,904	D	
95-Common Stock	05/17/2006		S	1,700	D	\$ 50.92	144,757,204	D	
	05/17/2006		S	2,000	D		144,755,204	D	

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96-Common Stock					\$ 50.91		
97-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	400	D		144,754,804	D
98-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	300	D	\$ 50.88	144,754,504	D
99-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	100	D	\$ 50.87	144,754,404	D
100-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	100	D	\$ 50.82	144,754,304	D
101-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	1,000	D	\$ 50.81	144,753,304	D
102-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	100	D	\$ 50.78	144,753,204	D
103-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	200	D	\$ 50.76	144,753,004	D
104-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	1,000	D	\$ 50.74	144,752,004	D
105-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	200	D	\$ 50.73	144,751,804	D
106-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	300	D	\$ 50.71	144,751,504	D
107-Common Stock	05/17/2006	S	700	D	\$ 50.69	144,750,804	D

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Date	Amount of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/Year)	Underlying	Security	Secui
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivativ	e	Securities	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities	S	(Instr. 3 and 4)		Own
	Security				Acquired				Follo
	-				(A) or				Repo
					Disposed				Trans
					of (D)				(Instr
					(Instr. 3,				
					4, and 5)				
				C + V	(A) (D)		TT' 41		
				Code V	(A) (D)		Title		

Date Expiration Exercisable Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

LILLY ENDOWMENT INC 2801 NORTH MERIDIAN STREET INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46208-0068

X

Signatures

/s/David D. Biber, Secretary and Treasurer on behalf of Lilly Endowment, Inc.

05/18/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).

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