LILLY ELI & CO

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * LECHLEITER JOHN C	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	(Check all applicable)		
LILLY CORPORATE CENTER	(Month/Day/Year) 01/25/2008	_X Director 10% Owner Selection Other (specify below) President and COO		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_Form filed by One Reporting Person		
INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46285		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-Derivative Securities Acq	uired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	ially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	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)
Common Stock	01/25/2008		A 73,354 A \$ 50.74	158,169	D	
Common Stock				18,316	I (1)	by family limited partnership
Common Stock				19,446	I (2)	by wife
Common Stock				12,984	I	401(k)
Common Stock				37,999	I (3)	The John C. Lechleiter

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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 Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
				C 1 W	(A) (D)				of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsnips				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer		

Other

LECHLEITER JOHN C LILLY CORPORATE CENTER

X President and COO **INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46285**

Signatures

Bronwen Mantlo for John C. Lechleiter, authorization 01/29/2008 on file

> **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).
- Family limited partnership of which reporting person and his wife are the general partners. Reporting person disclaim beneficial **(1)** ownership of shares held by family limited partnership except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (3) Grantor retained annuity trust established by reporting person. Reporting person is trustee.

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