LILLY ELI & CO Form 8-K June 01, 2017

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 1, 2017

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana

(State or Other Jurisdiction

35-0470950

of Incorporation)

001-06351 (I.R.S. Employer

(Commission Identification No.)

File Number)

Lilly Corporate Center

Indianapolis, Indiana (Address of Principal

Executive Offices)

46285

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (317) 276-2000

No Change

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On June 1, 2017, the company announced that Derica W. Rice, executive vice president and chief financial officer, informed the board of directors of his intent to retire from the company, effective December 31, 2017. The company is conducting an internal and external search to identify Mr. Rice's replacement.

A copy of the press release announcing Mr. Rice's retirement is filed as Exhibit 99.1 to this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit Number Description 99.1 Press release dated June 1, 2017.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Bronwen L. Mantlo Name: Bronwen L. Mantlo Title: Corporate Secretary

Dated: June 1, 2017