

LILLY ELI & CO
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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): January 5, 2012

ELI LILLY AND COMPANY

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Indiana
(State or Other Jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

Lilly Corporate Center

001-06351
(Commission

File Number)

35-0470950
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

46285

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Indianapolis, Indiana
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(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:

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On January 5, 2012, we issued a press release confirming guidance for 2011 and announcing guidance for 2012. In addition, on the same day we held a teleconference for analysts and media to discuss this guidance. The teleconference was web cast on our web site. The press release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

We use non-GAAP financial measures, such as non-GAAP earnings per share, that differ from financial statements reported in conformity to U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP). The press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 includes a non-GAAP presentation of our 2011 guidance, based on final results for the first three quarters of 2011. In today s press release, we used non-GAAP financial measures to calculate earnings per share adjusted to exclude the effect of the following:

Restructuring charges in the first, second, and third quarters of 2011 related to severance costs from previously-announced strategic actions that the company is taking to reduce its cost structure and global workforce.

In-process research and development charges in the first quarter of 2011 associated with our diabetes collaboration with Boehringer Ingelheim.

An estimated asset impairment charge in the fourth quarter of 2011 related to the withdrawal of Xigris.

In today s press release, we also provided financial expectations for 2012, including providing earnings per share expectations on both a GAAP basis and a non-GAAP basis.

The items that we exclude when we provide non-GAAP results or non-GAAP expectations are typically highly variable, difficult to predict, and of a size that could have a substantial impact on our reported operations for a period. We believe that these non-GAAP measures provide useful information to investors. Among other things, they may help investors evaluate our ongoing operations. They can assist in making meaningful period-over-period comparisons and in identifying operating trends that would otherwise be masked or distorted by the items subject to the adjustments. Management uses these non-GAAP measures internally to evaluate the performance of the business, including to allocate resources and to evaluate results relative to incentive compensation targets.

Investors should consider these non-GAAP measures in addition to, not as a substitute for or superior to, measures of financial performance prepared in accordance with GAAP. For the reasons described above for use of non-GAAP measures, our prospective earnings guidance is subject to adjustment for certain future matters, similar to those identified above, as to which prospective quantification generally is not feasible.

The information in this Item 2.02 and the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 are considered furnished to the Commission and are not deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press release dated January 5, 2012

SIGNATURE

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/ James B. Lootens
Name: James B. Lootens
Title: Secretary and Deputy General Counsel

Dated: January 5, 2012

EXHIBIT INDEX

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