

EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORP

Form 4

April 26, 2006

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Verguet Patrick B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES
CORPORATION, ONE EDWARDS
WAY

(Street)

IRVINE, CA 92614

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORP
[EW]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/25/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
X Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
CVP, Europe

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

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)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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)
Common Stock	04/25/2006		M	V Amount (A) 7,857 A	Price \$ 14.6443	12,602 ⁽¹⁾	D
Common Stock	04/25/2006		S	7,857 D	\$ 44.596	4,745 ⁽¹⁾	D

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(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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (Right to Acquire)	\$ 14.6443	04/25/2006		M		7,857		11/04/2004	02/15/2009	Common Stock	7,857

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
Verguet Patrick B C/O EDWARDS LIFESCIENCES CORPORATION ONE EDWARDS WAY IRVINE, CA 92614	CVP, Europe

Signatures

/s/ Jay P. Wertheim,
Attorney-in-fact 04/26/2006

__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).
- (1) This amount includes quarterly acquisitions of shares under the Edwards Lifesciences Corporation Employee Stock Purchase Plan as reflected on the most recent report of the plan administrator.
- (2) This Form 4 reflects changes in beneficial ownership only; it does not identify other securities of the Issuer beneficially owned by the reporting person.

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