FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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|--|---|------------------|--|---------|------------------------------------|---|---|--------|--|-------|------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|-----------|--|
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* | | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT] | | | | | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting (Check all applicable) Director | | | er ner |
| (Last) | (F BOTT PAR | First) K ROAD | (Middle) | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/05/2009 | | | | | | | | below) | Officer (give title below) Senior Vice Pre | | | pecify |
| (Street) ABBOTT PARK IL 60064-6400 | | | | | 4. | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | |
| (City) (State) (Zip) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Person | Person | | | |
| | | Tal | ole I - No | on-Deri | ivativ | e Se | ecuritie | es Acc | quired | l, Di | sposed of | , or Ber | neficial | y Owned | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day | | | | | Execution Date, | | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) o Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 a | | | Benefici | es ally Following | 6. Own Form: I (D) or I (I) (Inst | Direct Ir ndirect B r. 4) C | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | |
| | | | | | | | | | Code V Amount | | (A) or (D) | Price | Transact | ansaction(s) astr. 3 and 4) | | " | nstr. 4) | |
| Common shares without par value 03/05/2 | | | | | | 2009 | | | M | | 4,284 | A | \$33.23 | 14 100 |),534 | D | | |
| Common shares without par value 03/05/2 | | | | | 5/2009 | :009 | | | F | | 3,549 | D | \$47.18 | 96, | 96,985 | |) | |
| Common shares without par value | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 13,3 | 386(1) | | I S | Profit Sharing Trust |
| | | | Table II | | | | | | | | oosed of, convertib | | | Owned | | | · | - |
| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | 3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, | 4. Transacti Code (Ins 8) | | | | 6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye | | ate | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio | Owner Form: Direct or Ind (I) (Ins | Ownership | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercis | sable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | (Instr. 4) | J.1(3) | | |
| Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾ | \$33.2314 | 03/05/2009 | | | M | | | 4,284 | 02/14/2 | 2006 | 02/13/2013 | Common Shares | 4,284 | \$0 | 6,909 | | D | |
| Option (right to | \$47.18 | 03/05/2009 | | | A | | 3,549 | | 09/06/2 | 2009 | 02/13/2013 | Common Shares | 3,549 | \$0 | 3,549 | | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of March 5, 2009.
- 2. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program, including a replacement option feature, in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

These transactions were made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c).

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Donald V. Patton, 03/09/2009

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** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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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