FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LINDER GREG W</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]									eck all D	applic irecto	cable) r	Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owne		vner		
(Last)	(F BOTT PAR	*	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2009										X Officer (give title Other (specific below) Vice President						
(Street) ABBOTT PARK IL 60064-6400 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable ne) 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. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Date,			Transaction Dis		Disposed	I. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			4 and Securiti Benefici Owned		es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
									Cod	de V		Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	ica Tran		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(11150: 4)	
Common shares without par value 02/20/						009		A			19,000 ⁽¹⁾ A		\$0		167	.67,743		D				
Common shares without par value															12,872 ⁽²⁾		372 ⁽²⁾		I	Profit Sharing Trust		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (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. Deeme Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exercis. Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		ate		7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)		ecurity	8. Prio Deriva Secur (Instr.	itive ity	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e O S F Illy O O (I	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
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Option (right to	\$54.14	02/20/2009			A	27,000		02/20	/2010	02	2/19/2019	Comn		27,000	000 \$0		27,000		D			

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. These shares represent performance vested restricted stock awards under the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program. The awards have a 5-year term, with no more than 1/3 of the award vesting in any one year upon Abbott reaching a minimum return on equity target. The awards include the right to have stock withheld for tax purposes.
- 2. Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of February 19, 2009.
- 3. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 9,000 on 02/20/2010, 9,000 on 02/20/2011, and 9,000 on 02/20/2012.

John A. Berry by power of attorney for Greg W. Linder

02/24/2009

** 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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