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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>DEMPSEY WILLIAM G</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]							(Che	ck all applic	able)		o Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/14/2006								below)	(give title enior Vio	bek ce President	er (specify w)
(Street) ABBOTT PARK IL 60064-6400 (City) (State) (Zip)					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person											rson
		Та	ble I - No	on-De	rivati	ve S	ecuritie	es Acc	quired	l, Dis	posed of	or Ben	eficially	Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						ear) i	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s Illy ollowing	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)		(Instr. 4)
Common shares without par value 02/14/2					4/200	006		M	П	32,418	A	\$33.231	4 156,750		D		
Common shares without par value 02/14/2						006		F		27,328	D	\$42.83	129,422		D		
Common shares without par value 02/14/2					4/200	006		S		713	D	\$43.7	128,709		D		
Common shares without par value														10,3	375 ⁽¹⁾	I	Profit Sharing Trust
			Table II								osed of, o			Owned			•
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)				6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	e Owner s Form: ally Direct or Indi g (I) (Insi	(D) Beneficial Ownership rect (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(A) (D)		isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)		
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$33.2314	02/14/2006			M			32,418	02/14	1/2006	02/13/2013	common shares	32,418	\$0	3,050	0 D	
Option (right to	\$42.83	02/14/2006			A		27,328		08/15	5/2006	02/13/2013	common shares	27,328	\$0	27,32	28 D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1. \ Balance \ in the \ Abbott \ Laboratories \ Stock \ Retirement \ Trust \ as \ of \ February \ 15, \ 2006.$
- 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(b) under Rule 16b-3.

Remarks:

 $The \ exercise \ is \ made \ pursuant \ to \ a \ previously \ adopted \ plan \ complying \ with \ Rule \ 10b5-1(c). \ The \ plan \ was \ adopted \ on \ January \ 30, \ 2006.$

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for William G. Dempsey

02/16/2006

** 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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