FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANG	SES IN BENEFICIAL	OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LEIDEN JEFFREY M</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]								elationship o eck all applic	Reporting Person(s) to Issuer table) 10% Owner		
(Last)	OTT PAF	First)	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2004								Cofficer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  President and COO			
(Street) ABBOTT PARK IL 60064-6400					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable )  K Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(	State)	(Zip)														
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		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ear) i	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 a		(A) or 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code V		Amount				(A) or (D) Price		(Instr. 4)
Common shares without par value 09/			09/0	1/200	2004			M		15,469	A	\$33.231	4 290	,461	D		
Common	shares wit	hout par value		09/0	1/200	4			F		13,569	D	\$41.69	9 276,892 D		D	
Common shares without par value												61	2 <sup>(1)</sup>	Ι	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. Conversi or Exerci Price of Derivative Security			3A. Deeme Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date, Transac Code (II					6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ate Amount of		of s ng re	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(	Ownersh Form: Direct (Dor Indire (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	on(s)	
Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$33.2314	09/01/2004			M			15,469	02/14	1/2004	02/13/2013	common shares	15,469	\$0	449,05	0 D	
Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$41.69	09/01/2004			A		13,569		03/02	2/2005	02/13/2013	common shares	13,569	\$0	13,569	) D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of September 1, 2004.
- 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:

This exercise was made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c). The plan was adopted on May 26, 2004.

John A. Berry, Attorney-in-Fact for Jeffrey M. Leiden

09/02/2004

\*\* 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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