FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Fussell Stephen R						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner					
(Last)	•				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2006								X	Officer below)	(give title		Other (specify below)		
(Street) ABBOTT PARK IL 60064-6400				4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line)	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting				۱	
(City) (State) (Zip)														Person					
		Tab	le I - Noi	n-Deriv	ativ	e Se	curities	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or B	enefic	cially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D					ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			I and Securitie Benefici Owned F		es ally Following	Form:	Direct of Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) (D)	or Pr	ice	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)
Common shares without par value 02/18.						2006			F	403			\$ \$	44.15	51,983			D	
Common shares without par value 02/17,					7/200	2006			A <sup>(1)</sup>		26,50	26,500 A		44.16	78,483			D	
Common shares without par value 02/21/				L/200	2006			S		137		\$	43.86	78,346			D		
Common shares without par value															1,1	42 <sup>(2)</sup>		I S	Profit Sharing Trust
			Table II -								osed of, onverti				Owned	,			,
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date, 1	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea		•	7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		1	3. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber					
Option (right to	\$44.16	02/17/2006			A		83,000		02/17/200	07 0	02/16/2016	Commo	n 83,	000	\$0	83,000		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. These shares represent performance vested restricted stock awards under the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3. 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 16, 2006.
- 3. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 27,667 on 02/17/2007, 27,667 on 02/17/2008 and 27,666 on 02/17/2009.

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Stephen R.Fussell

02/22/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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