FORM 10-Q

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20549

(Mark One)

☑ QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended June 30, 2003

OR

• TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the transition period from

Commission File No. 1-2189

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ABBOTT LABORATORIES

An Illinois Corporation

to

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (l) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes 🗵 No o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an accelerated filer (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes 🗵 No o

As of June 30, 2003, Abbott Laboratories had 1,562,559,488 common shares without par value outstanding.

PART I. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Abbott Laboratories and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

(Unaudited)

Abbott Laboratories and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Earnings

(Unaudited)

(dollars and shares in thousands except per share data)

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	2003	_	2002	2003		2002
Sales	\$ 4,723,635	\$	4,314,889	\$ 9,304,098	\$	8,504,178

Cost of products sold	2,270,855		2,166,590		4,468,596		4,062,667
Research and development	402,753		379,492		808,780		736,173
Acquired in-process research and development	39,000		107,700		39,000		107,700
Selling, general and administrative	 1,685,886	_	978,008	_	2,682,091	_	1,869,694
Total Operating Cost and Expenses	 4,398,494	_	3,631,790	_	7,998,467	_	6,776,234
Operating Earnings	325,141		683,099		1,305,631		1,727,944
Net interest expense	38,384		52,221		75,674		105,107
(Income) from TAP Pharmaceutical Products Inc. joint venture	(132,542)		(177,251)		(264,630)		(335,713)
Net foreign exchange loss	9,064		18,369		44,260		43,092
Other (income) expense, net	 (6,998)		5,303		(20,829)		(496)
Earnings Before Taxes	417,233		784,457		1,471,156		1,915,954
Taxes on earnings	170,590		192,192		423,532		469,409
Net Earnings	\$ 246,643	\$	592,265	\$	1,047,624	\$	1,446,545
Basic Earnings Per Common Share	\$ 0.16	\$	0.38	\$	0.67	\$	0.93
Diluted Earnings Per Common Share	\$ 0.16	\$	0.38	\$	0.67	\$	0.92
Cash Dividends Declared Per Common Share	\$ 0.245	\$	0.235	\$	0.49	\$	0.47
Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding Used for Basic Earnings Per Common Share	1,561,681		1,561,580		1,562,247		1,559,514
Dilutive Common Stock Options	10,629		12,380		8,117		17,027
Average Number of Common Shares Outstanding Plus Dilutive Common Stock Options	1,572,310	_	1,573,960	_	1,570,364		1,576,541
Outstanding Common Stock Options Having No Dilutive Effect	59,207		46,460		59,207		22,558

The accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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Abbott Laboratories and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows

(Unaudited)

(dollars in thousands)

Six Months Ended June 30					
003		2002			
1,047,624	\$	1,446,545			
456,341		433,650			
172,940		166,398			
39,000		107,700			
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Trade receivables		313,018		(41,127)
Inventories		(38,357)		(161,508)
Other, net		20,112		130,824
Net Cash From Operating Activities		2,010,678		2,082,482
Cash Flow From (Used in) Investing Activities:				
Acquisitions of businesses and technology		(242,063)		(585,999)
Acquisitions of property and equipment		(594,756)		(600,488)
Investment securities transactions		215,277		(2,940)
Other		7,768		9,232
Net Cash (Used in) Investing Activities	_	(613,774)	_	(1,180,195)
Cash Flow From (Used in) Financing Activities:				
Proceeds from (repayments of) commercial paper, net		(966,000)		(844,000)
Other borrowing transactions, net		611,028		257,936
Common share transactions, net		(62,909)		121,794
Dividends paid		(749,816)		(693,521)
Net Cash (Used in) Financing Activities	_	(1,167,697)	_	(1,157,791)
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		145,250		80,263
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash and Cash Equivalents		374,457		(175,241)
Cash and Cash Equivalents, Beginning of Year		704,450		657,378
Cash and Cash Equivalents, End of Period	\$	1,078,907	\$	482,137

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Abbott Laboratories and Subsidiaries

Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet

(Unaudited)

(dollars in thousands)

	 June 30 2003	 December 31 2002
Assets		
Current Assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,078,907	\$ 704,450
Investment securities	94,881	261,677
Trade receivables, less allowances of \$219,301 in 2003 and \$198,116 in 2002	2,834,176	2,927,370
Inventories:		
Finished products	1,363,995	1,274,760
Work in process	644,574	563,659
Materials	716,214	602,883
Total inventories	2,724,783	2,441,302
Prepaid expenses, deferred income taxes, and other receivables	2,982,049	2,786,973
Total Current Assets	9,714,796	9,121,772
Investment Securities Maturing after One Year	274,001	250,779
Property and Equipment, at Cost	12,881,878	12,147,673
Less: accumulated depreciation and amortization	6,756,912	6,319,551
Net Property and Equipment	6,124,966	5,828,122

Intangible Assets, net of amortization	3,875,523	3,919,248
Goodwill	4,420,037	3,732,533
Deferred Income Taxes, Investment in Joint Ventures and Other Assets	1,481,531	1,406,648
	\$ 25,890,854	\$ 24,259,102
Liabilities and Shareholders' Investment		
Current Liabilities:		
Short-term borrowings	\$ 1,616,563	\$ 1,927,543
Trade accounts payable	1,487,956	1,661,650
Salaries, dividends payable, and other accruals	3,947,385	3,149,511
Income taxes payable	69,696	42,387
Current portion of long-term debt	211,557	221,111
Total Current Liabilities	7,333,157	7,002,202
Long-Term Debt	4,316,405	4,273,973
Post-employment Obligations and Other Long-term Liabilities	2,348,456	2,318,374
Commitments and Contingencies		
Shareholders' Investment:		
Preferred shares, one dollar par value Authorized—1,000,000 shares, none issued		—
Common shares, without par value Authorized — 2,400,000,000 shares Issued at stated capital		
amount—Shares: 2003: 1,578,379,617; 2002: 1,578,944,551	2,967,351	2,891,266
Common shares held in treasury, at cost—Shares: 2003: 15,820,129; 2002: 15,876,449	(231,022)	(231,845)
Unearned compensation — restricted stock awards	(67,315)	(76,472)
Earnings employed in the business	8,766,141	8,601,386
Accumulated other comprehensive income (loss)	457,681	(519,782)
Total Shareholders' Investment	11,892,836	10,664,553
	\$ 25,890,854	\$ 24,259,102

The accompanying notes to condensed consolidated financial statements are an integral part of this statement.

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Abbott Laboratories and Subsidiaries

Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

June 30, 2003

(Unaudited)

Note 1—Basis of Presentation

The accompanying unaudited, condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared pursuant to rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission and, therefore, do not include all information and footnote disclosures normally included in audited financial statements. However, in the opinion of management, all adjustments necessary to present fairly the results of operations, financial position and cash flows have been made. It is suggested that these statements be read in conjunction with the financial statements included in Abbott's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2002.

Note 2—Supplemental Financial Information

(dollars in thousands)

	Three Mor Jun		Six Months Ended June 30				
	2003	200)2	2003		2002	
Net Interest Expense:							
Interest expense	\$ 48,005	\$	60,192	\$ 96,186	\$	123,133	
Interest income	(9,621)		(7,971)	(20,512)		(18,026)	
Total	\$ 38,384	\$	52,221	\$ 75,674	\$	105,107	

Note 3—Taxes on Earnings

Taxes on earnings reflect the estimated annual effective rates, and for 2003, include the effect of the charge for the anticipated settlement of the Ross enteral nutrition investigation and for the charge for acquired in-process research and development. The effective tax rates, excluding the effect of these 2003 charges, are less than the statutory U.S. federal income tax rate principally due to the domestic dividend exclusion and the benefit of tax exemptions in several taxing jurisdictions.

Note 4—Litigation and Environmental Matters

Abbott is involved in various claims and legal proceedings including a number of antitrust suits and investigations in connection with the pricing of prescription pharmaceuticals. These suits and investigations allege that various pharmaceutical manufacturers have conspired to fix prices for prescription pharmaceuticals and/or to discriminate in pricing to retail pharmacies by providing discounts to mail-order pharmacies, institutional pharmacies and HMOs in violation of state and federal antitrust laws. The suits have been brought on behalf of individuals and retail pharmacies and name both Abbott and certain other pharmaceutical manufacturers and pharmaceutical wholesalers as defendants. The cases seek treble damages, civil penalties, and injunctive and other relief. Abbott has filed a response to each of the complaints denying all substantive allegations.

The U.S. Attorney's office in the Southern District of Illinois is conducting an industry-wide investigation of the enteral nutritional business. The investigation is both civil and criminal in nature. During the second quarter of 2003, Abbott reached a settlement with the U.S. Attorney resolving all outstanding allegations by the government, and accrued a charge of \$622 million; of which \$614 million

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is classified as Selling, general and administration expense and \$8 million is classified as Cost of products sold. This reserve is included in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet under Salaries, dividends payable, and other accruals. Abbott expects to remit the settlement amount by the end of 2003.

There are several lawsuits pending in connection with the sales of *Hytrin*. These suits allege that Abbott violated state or federal antitrust laws and, in some cases, unfair competition laws by signing patent settlement agreements with Geneva Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Zenith Laboratories, Inc. Those agreements related to pending patent infringement lawsuits between Abbott and the two companies. Some of the suits also allege that Abbott violated various state or federal laws by filing frivolous patent infringement lawsuits to protect *Hytrin* from generic competition. The cases seek treble damages, civil penalties and other relief. Abbott has filed or intends to file a response to each of the complaints denying all substantive allegations.

Abbott has been identified as a potentially responsible party for investigation and cleanup costs at a number of locations in the United States and Puerto Rico under federal and state remediation laws and is investigating potential contamination at a number of company-owned locations. Abbott has recorded an estimated cleanup cost for each site for which management believes Abbott has a probable loss exposure. No individual site cleanup exposure is expected to exceed \$3 million, and the aggregate cleanup exposure is not expected to exceed \$20 million.

For its legal proceedings and environmental exposures discussed in this note and in Note 5, Abbott estimates the range of possible loss to be from approximately \$125 million to \$200 million, excluding the enteral nutritional investigation. Abbott has recorded reserves of approximately \$150 million for these proceedings and exposures. These reserves represent management's best estimate of probable loss, as defined by Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 5, "Accounting for Contingencies."

While it is not feasible to predict the outcome of all such proceedings and exposures with certainty, management believes that their ultimate disposition should not have a material adverse effect on Abbott's financial position, cash flows, or results of operations, except with respect to the enteral nutritional investigation. Payment of the enteral nutritional settlement will be material to cash flows in the quarter paid.

Note 5—TAP Pharmaceutical Products Inc.

TAP and Abbott have been named as defendants in several lawsuits alleging violations of various state or federal laws in connection with TAP's marketing and pricing of *Lupron*. Abbott has filed or intends to file a response to each of the lawsuits denying all substantive allegations.

Within the next year, legal proceedings may occur that may result in a change in the estimated reserves recorded by TAP and Abbott. While it is not feasible to predict the outcome of such pending claims, proceedings, and investigations with certainty, management is of the opinion that their ultimate disposition should not have a material adverse effect on Abbott's financial position, cash flows, or results of operations.

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Note 6—U.S. Food and Drug Administration Consent Decree

In November 1999, Abbott reached agreement with the U.S. government to have a consent decree entered to settle issues involving Abbott's diagnostics manufacturing operations in Lake County, Ill. The decree, which was amended in December 2000, requires Abbott to ensure its diagnostics manufacturing processes in Lake County conform with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Quality System Regulation (QSR). The decree allows for the continued manufacture and distribution of medically necessary diagnostic products made in Lake County. However, Abbott is prohibited from manufacturing or distributing certain diagnostic products until Abbott ensures the processes in its Lake County diagnostics manufacturing operations conform with the QSR. The decree allows Abbott to export diagnostic products and components for sale and distribution outside the United States if they meet the export requirements of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. Under the terms of the amended consent decree, Abbott was to ensure its diagnostics manufacturing operations are in conformance with the QSR by January 15, 2001. The FDA performed an inspection of Abbott's Lake County, Ill. diagnostics manufacturing operations during the fourth quarter of 2001 and first quarter of 2002 to determine whether those operations are in conformity with the QSR. In May 2002, these operations were found not to be in conformity. Accordingly, Abbott was required to make additional payments to the government and continue its efforts to achieve full compliance. A pretax charge of \$129 million to Cost of sales related to this matter was recorded in the second quarter of 2002. The FDA will determine Abbott's conformance with the QSR after a re-inspection of Abbott's facilities. If the FDA concludes that the operations are not in conformance with the QSR, Abbott may continue to be subject to additional costs and loss of revenue.

Note 7—Comprehensive Income, net of tax (dollars in thousands)

	Three Mor Jun	nths Ei e 30	nded		led		
	2003		2002		2003		2002
Foreign currency translation adjustments	\$ 581,527	\$	250,504	\$	982,644	\$	45,553
Unrealized gains (losses) on marketable equity securities Net gains (losses) on derivative instruments designated as cash flow	34,789		(73,738)		34,668		(67,247)
hedges	175		(11,289)		(28,881)		(14,970)
Reclassification adjustment for realized gains	37		(2,011)		(10,968)		(12,929)
Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax	616,528		163,466		977,463		(49,593)
Net Earnings	 246,643		592,265	_	1,047,624		1,446,545
Comprehensive Income	\$ 863,171	\$	755,731	\$	2,025,087	\$	1,396,952
Supplemental Comprehensive Income Information, net of tax:							
Cumulative foreign currency translation (income) loss adjustments				\$	(674,402)	\$	590,369
Minimum pension liability adjustments					203,182		_
Cumulative unrealized losses (gains) on marketable equity securities					(32,708)		50,372
Cumulative losses on derivative instruments designated as cash flow hedges					46,247		3,562

Note 8—Segment Information (dollars in millions)

Revenue Segments—Abbott's principal business is the discovery, development, manufacture and sale of a broad line of health care products. Abbott's products are generally sold directly to retailers, wholesalers, hospitals, health care facilities, laboratories, physicians' offices and government agencies throughout the world. Abbott's reportable segments are as follows:

Pharmaceutical Products-U.S. sales of a broad line of pharmaceuticals.

Diagnostic Products—Worldwide sales of diagnostic systems and tests for blood banks, hospitals, consumers, commercial laboratories and alternate-care testing sites.

Hospital Products—U.S. sales of intravenous and irrigation fluids and related administration equipment, drugs and drug-delivery systems, anesthetics, critical care products, and other medical specialty products for hospitals and alternate-care sites.

Ross Products—U.S. sales of a broad line of adult and pediatric nutritional products, pediatric pharmaceuticals and consumer products.

International—Non-U.S. sales of Abbott's pharmaceutical, hospital and nutritional products. Products sold by International are manufactured by domestic segments and by international manufacturing locations.

Abbott's underlying accounting records are maintained on a legal entity basis for government and public reporting requirements. Segment disclosures are on a performance basis consistent with internal management reporting. Intersegment transfers of inventory are recorded at standard cost and are not a measure of segment operating earnings. The cost of some corporate functions and the cost of certain employee benefits are sold to reportable segments at predetermined rates that approximate cost. Remaining costs, if any, are not allocated to reportable segments. Intangible assets and related amortization from business acquisitions are not allocated to segments. The following segment information has been prepared in accordance with the internal accounting policies of Abbott, as described above, and are not presented in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles applied to the consolidated financial statements.

	 Net Sales to External Customers								Operating Earnings									
	Three Months Ended June 30			Six Months Ended June 30				Three Months Ended June 30					Six Months Ended June 30					
	2003		2002		2003	2002			2003	200			2003		2002			
Pharmaceutical	\$ 1,264	\$	997	\$	2,339	\$	1,947	\$	407	\$	293	\$	701	\$	584			

Diagnostics (worldwide)	756	735	1,479	1,414	76	68	110	130
Hospital	748	762	1,465	1,436	174	208	340	391
Ross	478	515	1,079	1,094	151	159	414	400
International	1,400	1,243	2,739	2,466	328	316	653	663
Total Reportable Segments	4,646	4,252	9,101	8,357	1,136	1,044	2,218	2,168
Other	78	63	203	147				
Net Sales	\$ 4,724 \$	4,315 \$	9,304 \$	8,504				

Corporate functions	59	42	108	89
Benefit plans costs	8	2	18	33
Non-reportable segments	5	(1)	4	6
Net interest expense	38	52	76	105
Acquired in-process research and development	39	108	39	108
(Income) from TAP Pharmaceutical Products Inc.				
joint venture	(133)	(177)	(265)	(335)
Net foreign exchange loss	9	18	44	43
Other, net (a)	694	215	723	203
Consolidated Earnings Before Taxes	\$ 417 \$	\$ 785 \$	1,471 \$	5 1,916

(a) Other, net for 2003 includes \$622 for the anticipated settlement of the Ross enteral nutrition investigation. Of the \$622 charge, \$614 is classified as Selling, general and administrative expense

and \$8 is classified as Cost of products sold. Other, net for 2002 includes \$116 of the \$129 pre-tax charge to Cost of sales relating to the U.S. FDA consent decree charge as discussed in Note 6; the remaining amount of the charge is included in the results of the diagnostic products segment.

Note 9—Restructuring Charges (dollars in millions)

In October 2002, Abbott announced restructuring plans to align Abbott's global manufacturing operations with its scientific focus and to achieve greater operating efficiencies in its Diagnostics and International segments. The following summarizes the restructuring activity:

	Employee-Related And Other		set ments	Т	otal
2002 Restructuring charges	\$ 141	\$	33	\$	174
2002 Payments and impairments	(37)		(33)		(70)
Accrued balance at December 31, 2002	104				104
Change in estimate and foreign currency translation	(8)				(8)
2003 Payments	(57)		—		(57)
Accrued balance at June 30, 2003	\$ 39	\$	—	\$	39

In 2001 and 2002, Abbott implemented restructuring plans related primarily to the operations of the acquired pharmaceutical business of BASF. The following summarizes the restructuring activity:

	_	Employee-Related And Other	Asset Impairments	Total
2001 Restructuring charges	\$	195	\$ 12	\$ 207
2001 Payments and impairments		(106)	(12)	(118)
	_			
Accrued balance at December 31, 2001		89	_	89
2002 Restructuring charges		59	—	59
2002 Payments		(80)	—	(80)
Accrued balance at December 31, 2002		68	_	68
2003 Payments		(36)	—	(36)
	_			
Accrued balance at June 30, 2003	\$	32	\$	\$ 32
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Note 10—Sale of Product Rights

In the first quarter 2003, Abbott completed the sale of its U.S. eye and ear care product lines and in the first quarter 2002, Abbott sold its U.S. *Selsun Blue* product rights and recorded these transactions in net sales in accordance with Abbott's revenue recognition accounting policies as discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements included in Abbott's Annual Report on Form 10-K.

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Note 11—Business Combinations and Technology Acquisition

In the second quarter 2003, Abbott acquired Spinal Concepts, a marketer of spinal fixation products used in the treatment of spinal disorders, diseases and injuries for approximately \$166 million, in cash, plus additional milestone payments of up to \$40 million if agreed upon targets are met. Abbott also acquired the assets of JOMED's coronary and peripheral interventional business line for approximately \$68 million in cash. These acquisitions resulted in a charge of \$39 million for estimated acquired in-process research and development, intangible assets of approximately \$118 million and non-tax deductible goodwill of approximately \$57 million. Acquired intangible assets, primarily product technology, will be amortized over 10 to 16 years (average of approximately 13 years). Allocation of the purchase price is subject to completion of independent appraisals, which are expected to be completed in the third quarter of 2003.

In the second quarter 2002, Abbott acquired the cardiovascular stent business of Biocompatibles International plc and certain cardiovascular stent technology rights from Medtronic, Inc. In addition in 2002, Abbott acquired an additional 28.8 percent of the issued common shares of Hokuriku Seiyaku and in 2003 Abbott acquired the remaining shares, resulting in Abbott owning 100 percent of the common shares of Hokuriku Seiyaku. The aggregate cash purchase price (\$586 million) of these strategic business and technology acquisitions resulted in a charge of \$108 million for acquired in-process research and development, intangible assets of approximately \$145 million and non-tax deductible goodwill of approximately \$257 million. Acquired intangible assets, primarily product technology, will be amortized over 4 to 13 years (average of approximately 8 years).

Had these acquisitions taken place on January 1 of the previous year, consolidated sales and income would not have been significantly different from reported amounts.

Note 12—Incentive Stock Programs

Abbott measures compensation cost using the intrinsic value-based method of accounting for stock options and replacement stock options granted to employees. Had compensation cost been determined using the fair market value-based accounting method, pro forma net income (*in millions*) and earnings per share (EPS) amounts would have been as follows:

		Three Months EndedSix Months EndedJune 30June 30					ed	
		2003 2			2 2003			2002
Net income, as reported	\$	247	\$	592	\$	1,047	\$	1,447
Compensation cost under fair value-based accounting method, net of taxes		(55)		(54)		(111)		(105)
			_		_		_	
Net income, pro forma	\$	192	\$	538	\$	936	\$	1,342
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Basic EPS, as reported	\$	0.16	\$	0.38	\$	0.67	\$	0.93
Basic EPS, pro forma		0.12		0.34		0.60		0.86
Diluted EPS, as reported		0.16		0.38		0.67		0.92
Diluted EPS, pro forma		0.12		0.34		0.60		0.86
Reported diluted EPS higher than pro forma diluted EPS		0.04		0.04		0.07		0.06
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Note 13—Equity Method Investments

(dollars in millions)

Abbott's 50 percent-owned joint venture, TAP Pharmaceutical Products Inc. (TAP), is accounted for under the equity method of accounting. Abbott's income from the TAP joint venture is recognized net of consolidating adjustments. Summarized financial information for TAP is as follows:

	Three Months Ended June 30				Six Months Ended June 30			
	2003		2003 2002		2003			2002
Net Sales	\$	996.2	\$	1,033.9	\$	2,006.7	\$	1,946.3
Cost of Sales		269.9		225.4		529.9		422.7
Income Before Taxes		414.2		540.6		827.0		1,025.8
Net Income		265.1		343.3		529.3		651.4
						June 30 2003		December 31 2002
Current Assets					\$	1,207.5	\$	1,176.8
Total Assets						1,618.7		1,580.3
Current Liabilities						999.4		791.6
Total Liabilities						1,041.0		839.8

Note 14—Debt and Lines of Credit

In 2003, Abbott established a yen denominated line of credit of approximately \$1 billion. Borrowings outstanding at June 30, 2003 were approximately \$900 million. Proceeds from this line of credit were used to pay off an existing yen denominated credit facility of approximately \$280 million and to pay down domestic commercial paper borrowings. The new line of credit expires in August 2003, and Abbott subsequently replaced this facility with a similar yen

denominated facility, which expires in November 2003. In the second quarter 2003, Abbott established a U.S. dollar denominated credit facility of \$750 million, which expires on December 31, 2004. There were no borrowings under this facility at June 30, 2003.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Results of Operations

The following table details sales by reportable segment for the second quarter and first six months: *(dollars in millions)*

	Three Months Ended June 30					Six Months Ended June 30					
		Net Sales to External Customers		Percentage Change (a)		Net S External	Percentage Change (a)				
		2003		2002			2003	_	2002		
Pharmaceutical	\$	1,264	\$	997	26.8	\$	2,339	\$	1,947	20.1	
Diagnostics		756		735	2.9		1,479		1,414	4.6	
Hospital		748		762	(1.8)		1,465		1,436	2.0	
Ross		478		515	(7.1)		1,079		1,094	(1.3)	
International		1,400		1,243	12.7		2,739		2,466	11.0	
						_					
Total Reportable Segments		4,646		4,252	9.3		9,101		8,357	8.9	
Other		78		63	20.8		203		147	38.4	
Net Sales	\$	4,724	\$	4,315	9.5	\$	9,304	\$	8,504	9.4	
		-							-		
Total U.S.	\$	2,791	\$	2,603	7.2	\$	5,555	\$	5,175	7.3	
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Total International	\$	1,933	\$	1,712	12.9	\$	3,749	\$	3,329	12.6	
	Ψ	1,555	Ψ	1,712	12.5	Ψ	5,745	Ψ	5,525	12.0	

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A comparison of the product group sales by segment for first six months ended June 30 is as follows: *(dollars in millions)*

	Six Months Ended June 30							
	2003	Percentage Change (a)	2002		Percentage Change (a)			
Pharmaceutical—								
Neuroscience	\$ 364	1.8	\$	357	(2.6)			
Anti-Infectives	313	13.5		276	(3.4)			
Diabetes/Metabolism	282	(4.1)		294	49.9			
Cardiology	299	43.9		208	58.3			
Anti-Viral	205	19.9		171	30.8			
Immunology	78	N/A		—	—			
Diagnostic—								
Immunochemistry	1,065	4.9		015	(4.2)			
Glucose	256	6.7		240	8.9			
Hematology	111	6.6		104	(2.7)			
Hospital—								
Anesthesia	219	11.6		196	4.2			
Renal Care	168	(10.3)		187	30.9			
Acute Care Injectibles	231	2.0		226	5.2			
Infusion Therapy	214	1.4		211	7.6			
Vascular Pharma and Devices	114	33.8		85	16.7			
Ross—								
Pediatric Nutritionals	519	1.4		512	(7.9)			
Adult Nutritionals	380	(10.2)		423	2.3			
International—								
Other Pharmaceuticals	1,230	11.7		102	53.8			
Anti-Infectives	411	8.9		377	(1.9)			
Hospital Products	418	10.9		377	1.7			
Pediatric Nutritionals	252	1.0		249	7.3			
Adult Nutritionals	276	11.7		247	0.2			

a) Percentage changes are based on unrounded numbers.

Worldwide net sales for the second quarter 2003 and first six months 2003 reflect unit growth and the positive effect of the relatively weaker U.S. dollar. The relatively weaker U.S. dollar increased consolidated net sales 3.7 percent for the second quarter 2003 and 3.3 percent for the first six months 2003 and increased international sales 9.2 percent for the second quarter 2003 and 8.5 percent for the first six months 2003 over comparable 2002 periods. In addition, the effect of the relatively weaker U.S. dollar increased Immunochemistry and Glucose product sales by 7.0 percent and 6.9 percent, respectively, for the six months ended 2003 over 2002; and increased international Anti-Infectives and international Adult Nutritionals product sales by 11.3 percent and 6.9 percent, respectively, for the first six months 2003 over 2002.

Increased sales volume of *TriCor* favorably impacted the Cardiology product sales of the Pharmaceutical Products segment for both 2003 and 2002. Increased sales volume of *Ultane* favorably impacted the Anesthesia product sales of the Hospital Products segment in 2003. The decrease in Ross' Adult Nutritionals product sales in 2003 was due, in part, to lower retail sales in anticipation of a transition to new packaging for *Ensure*. The acquisition of the pharmaceutical business of BASF in

2001 favorably impacted the Diabetes/Metabolism product sales of the Pharmaceutical Products segment and the Other Pharmaceuticals product sales of the International segment for 2002.

On December 31, 2002, the FDA approved *Humira* for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis. U.S. sales of *Humira*, reported in Immunology product sales, were \$78 million for the first six months 2003. International sales of *Humira* from sales through patient named basis programs were \$5 million for the first six months 2003. Worldwide sales of *Humira* in 2003 are forecasted to be more than \$250 million based on the U.S. launch and an expected European launch later in 2003.

Gross profit margin (sales less cost of products sold, including freight and distribution expenses) was 51.9 percent for the second quarter 2003, compared to 49.8 percent for the second quarter 2002. First six months 2003 gross profit margin was 52.0 percent, compared to 52.2 percent for the first six months 2002. The increase in the gross profit margin in the second quarter 2003 was due primarily to the effect of the \$129 million FDA consent decree charge in 2002, which decreased the gross profit margin 3.0 percent in 2002. In addition, higher manufacturing costs, primarily ongoing costs associated with Good Manufacturing Practices compliance enhancements related to the diagnostics division, was partially offset by favorable product mix. The decrease in the gross profit margin for the six months 2003 was due to higher other manufacturing costs, primarily ongoing costs associated with Good Manufacturing Practices compliance enhancements related to the diagnostics division; partially offset by the effect of the \$129 million FDA consent decree charge in 2002, which decreased the gross profit margin 1.5 percent in 2002.

Research and development expenses, excluding acquired in-process research and development, increased 6.1 percent in the second quarter 2003 and 9.9 percent for the first six months 2003, respectively, over comparable 2002 periods. These increases were primarily due to increased spending to support pipeline programs, such as additional new indications for *Humira*. The majority of research and development expenditures is concentrated on pharmaceutical products.

Selling, general and administrative expenses for the second quarter 2003 and first six months 2003 increased 72.4 percent and 43.5 percent, respectively, over the comparable 2002 periods. In the second quarter 2003, Abbott recorded in Selling, general and administrative expenses, a pretax charge of \$614 million related to the settlement of the Ross enteral nutritional investigation as discussed below and in Note 4. This charge increased selling, general and administrative expenses by 62.8 percent and 32.9 percent over the second quarter and first six months of 2002, respectively. The increases in selling, general and administrative expenses, excluding the charge for the investigation, were due primarily to increased selling and marketing support for new and existing products, including accelerated spending for the launch of *Humira*, due to its earlier-than-expected FDA approval, as well as spending on other marketed pharmaceutical products.

In November 1999, Abbott reached agreement with the U.S. government to have a consent decree entered to settle issues involving Abbott's diagnostics manufacturing operations in Lake County, Ill. The decree, which was amended in December 2000, requires Abbott to ensure its diagnostics manufacturing processes in Lake County conform with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Quality System Regulation (QSR). The decree allows for the continued manufacture and distribution of medically necessary diagnostic products made in Lake County. However, Abbott is prohibited from manufacturing or distributing certain diagnostic products until Abbott ensures the processes in its Lake County diagnostics manufacturing operations conform with the QSR. The decree allows Abbott to export diagnostic products and components for sale and distribution outside the United States if they meet the export requirements of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. Under the terms of the amended consent decree, Abbott was to ensure its diagnostics manufacturing operations are in conformance with the QSR by January 15, 2001. The FDA performed an inspection of Abbott's Lake County, Ill. diagnostics manufacturing operations during the fourth quarter of 2001 and first quarter of 2002 to determine whether those operations are in conformity with the QSR. In

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May 2002, these operations were found not to be in conformity. Accordingly, Abbott was required to make additional payments to the government and continue its efforts to achieve full compliance. A pretax charge of \$129 million related to this matter was recorded in the second quarter of 2002. The FDA will determine Abbott's conformance with the QSR after a re-inspection of Abbott's facilities. If the FDA concludes that the operations are not in conformance with the QSR, Abbott may continue to be subject to additional costs and loss of revenue. The consent decree affects the sales and margin of the Immunochemistry products of the Diagnostic Products segment.

The U.S. Attorney's office in the Southern District of Illinois is conducting an industry-wide investigation of the enteral nutritional business. The investigation is both civil and criminal in nature. During the second quarter of 2003, Abbott reached a settlement with the U.S. Attorney resolving all outstanding allegations by the government, and accrued a charge of \$622 million; of which \$614 million is classified as Selling, general and administration expense and \$8 million is classified as Cost of products sold. Abbott expects to remit the settlement amount by the end of 2003.

Business Combinations and Technology Acquisition

In the second quarter 2003, Abbott acquired Spinal Concepts, a marketer of spinal fixation products used in the treatment of spinal disorders, diseases and injuries for approximately \$166 million, in cash, plus additional milestone payments of up to \$40 million if agreed upon targets are met. Abbott also acquired the assets of JOMED's coronary and peripheral interventional business line for approximately \$68 million in cash. These acquisitions resulted in a charge of

\$39 million for estimated acquired in-process research and development, intangible assets of approximately \$118 million and non-tax deductible goodwill of approximately \$57 million. Acquired intangible assets, primarily product technology, will be amortized over 10 to 16 years (average of approximately 13 years). Allocation of the purchase price is subject to completion of independent appraisals that are expected to be completed in the third quarter of 2003.

In July 2003, Abbott announced that it has entered into an agreement to acquire ZonePerfect, a marketer of healthy and nutritious products for active people, for approximately \$160 million in cash. The transaction is subject to customary closing conditions, including government approvals, and is expected to close during the third quarter of 2003.

In the second quarter 2002, Abbott acquired the cardiovascular stent business of Biocompatibles International plc and certain cardiovascular stent technology rights from Medtronic, Inc. In addition in 2002, Abbott acquired an additional 28.8 percent of the issued common shares of Hokuriku Seiyaku and in 2003 Abbott acquired the remaining shares, resulting in Abbott owning 100 percent of the common shares of Hokuriku Seiyaku. The aggregate cash purchase price (\$586 million) of these strategic business and technology acquisitions resulted in a charge of \$108 million for acquired in-process research and development, intangible assets of approximately \$145 million and non-tax deductible goodwill of approximately \$257 million. Acquired intangible assets, primarily product technology, will be amortized over 4 to 13 years (average of approximately 8 years).

Had these acquisitions taken place on January 1 of the previous year, consolidated sales and income would not have been significantly different from reported amounts.

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Restructuring Charges (dollars in millions)

In October 2002, Abbott announced restructuring plans to align Abbott's global manufacturing operations with its scientific focus and to achieve greater operating efficiencies in its Diagnostics and International segments. The following summarizes the restructuring activity:

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2002 Restructuring charges	\$ 141	\$ 33	\$	174
2002 Payments and impairments	(37)	(33)		(70)
Accrued balance at December 31, 2002	104			104
Change in estimate and foreign currency translation	(8)			(8)
2003 Payments	(57)			(57)
Accrued balance at June 30, 2003	\$ 39	\$ 	\$	39
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In 2001 and 2002, Abbott implemented restructuring plans related primarily to the operations of the acquired pharmaceutical business of BASF. The following summarizes the restructuring activity:

Total
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(118)
89
59
(80)
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(36)
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Interest Expense

Net interest expense decreased in both the second quarter and first six months of 2003 due primarily to lower interest rates and a lower level of debt.

Sale of Product Rights

In the first quarter 2003, Abbott completed the sale of its U.S. eye and ear care product lines and in the first quarter 2002, Abbott sold its U.S. *Selsun Blue* product rights and recorded these transactions in net sales in accordance with Abbott's revenue recognition accounting policies as discussed in Note 1 to the financial statements included in Abbott's Annual Report on Form 10-K. Related gains recorded in net sales were not significant to consolidated net sales.

Taxes on Earnings

Taxes on earnings reflect the estimated annual effective rates, and for 2003, include the effect of the charge for the anticipated settlement of the Ross enteral nutrition investigation and for the charge for acquired in-process research and development. The effect of these charges for the second quarter 2003 was to

increase the effective tax rate from 24.0 percent to 40.9 percent. Abbott anticipates that the effective tax rate for the last six months of 2003 will be approximately 24.0 percent. The effective tax rates, excluding the effect of these 2003 charges, are less than the statutory U.S. federal income tax

rate principally due to the domestic dividend exclusion and the benefit of tax exemptions in several taxing jurisdictions.

Liquidity and Capital Resources at June 30, 2003 Compared with December 31, 2002

Net cash from operating activities for the first six months 2003 totaled \$2.0 billion. Abbott expects annual cash flow from operating activities to continue to exceed Abbott's capital expenditures and cash dividends.

At June 30, 2003, Abbott had working capital of approximately \$2.4 billion compared to working capital of approximately \$2.1 billion at December 31, 2002. The increase in working capital in 2003 was primarily due to operating cash flows used to increase cash and cash equivalents.

At June 30, 2003, Abbott's long-term debt ratings were AA by Standard & Poor's Corporation and Aa3 by Moody's Investors Service. In June 2003, Standard & Poor's Corporation reaffirmed Abbott's debt ratings. As a result of Abbott's announcement related to the anticipated settlement of the Ross enteral nutritional investigation as discussed in Note 4, Moody's Investors Service placed Abbott's long-term debt ratings under review for possible downgrade. The review by Moody's Investors Service is currently in process. Abbott has readily available financial resources, including unused lines of credit of \$3.0 billion, which support commercial paper borrowing arrangements.

In 2003, Abbott established a yen denominated line of credit of approximately \$1 billion. Borrowings outstanding at June 30, 2003 were approximately \$900 million. Proceeds from this line of credit were used to pay off an existing yen denominated credit facility of approximately \$280 million and to pay down domestic commercial paper borrowings. The new line of credit expires in August 2003, and Abbott subsequently replaced this facility with a similar yen denominated facility, which expires in November 2003. In the second quarter 2003, Abbott established a U.S. dollar denominated credit facility of \$750 million, which expires on December 31, 2004. There were no borrowings under this facility at June 30, 2003.

In 2003, Abbott entered into interest rate hedge contracts totaling \$800 million to manage its exposure to changes in the fair value of \$800 million of fixedrate debt due in July 2006. These contracts are designated as fair value hedges of the variability of the fair value of fixed-rate debt due to changes in the long-term benchmark interest rates. The effect of the hedge is to change a fixed-rate interest obligation to a variable rate for that portion of the debt.

Under a registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in February 2001, Abbott may issue up to \$250 million of securities in the future in the form of debt securities or common shares without par value.

In June 2000, the Board of Directors authorized the purchase of 25 million shares of Abbott's common stock and Abbott purchased 10.6 million shares from this authorization in 2001 and 2000. Common stock purchases were temporarily suspended in January 2001, following Abbott's announced acquisition of the pharmaceutical business of BASF. In 2003, Abbott announced that it plans to purchase the remaining 14.4 million shares from time to time on the open market. During the first six months 2003, Abbott purchased 2.7 million of its common shares at a cost of \$98 million. As of June 30, 2003, an additional 11.7 million shares may be purchased in future periods under the June 2000 authorization by the Board of Directors.

In the first quarter 2003, \$200 million was funded to Abbott's main domestic pension plan.

Legislative Issues

Abbott's primary markets are highly competitive and subject to substantial government regulation. Abbott expects debate to continue at both the federal and the state levels over the availability, method

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of delivery, and payment for health care products and services. Abbott believes that if legislation is enacted, it could have the effect of reducing prices, or reducing the rate of price increases for medical products and services. International operations are also subject to a significant degree of government regulation. It is not possible to predict the extent to which Abbott or the health care industry in general might be adversely affected by these factors in the future. A more complete discussion of these factors is contained in Item 1, Business, in the Annual Report on Form 10-K, which is available upon request.

Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995-A Caution Concerning Forward-Looking Statements

Under the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, Abbott cautions investors that any forward-looking statements or projections made by Abbott, including those made in this document, are subject to risks and uncertainties that may cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Economic, competitive, governmental, technological and other factors that may affect Abbott's operations are discussed in Exhibit 99.1 to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures

(a) Evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures. The Chief Executive Officer, Miles D. White, and Chief Financial Officer, Thomas C. Freyman, evaluated the effectiveness of Abbott Laboratories' disclosure controls and procedures as of the end of the period covered by this report, and concluded that Abbott Laboratories' disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information Abbott is required to disclose in its filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is recorded, processed, summarized and reported, within the time periods specified in the Commission's rules and forms, and to ensure that information required to be disclosed by Abbott in the reports that it files under the Exchange Act is accumulated and communicated to Abbott's management, including its principal executive officer and principal financial officer, as appropriate to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

PART II. OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings

Abbott is involved in various claims, legal proceedings and investigations, including (as of June 30, 2003, except as otherwise indicated) those described below.

In its Form 10-Q for the first quarter of 2003, Abbott reported that three cases were pending in which Abbott sought to protect its patents for divalproex sodium (a drug that Abbott sells under the trademark Depakote®). In May 2003, after a Section 505(b)(2) NDA was filed for a product described as sodium valproate tablets, Abbott filed a new lawsuit against Andrx Corporation, Andrx Pharmaceuticals, Inc., and Andrx Pharmaceutials, LLC in the United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida. This new action has been consolidated with the previously filed case against the same parties.

In its 2002 Form 10-K, Abbott reported that a number of antitrust cases were pending in federal court (including a case filed by the Attorneys General of the States of Colorado, Florida and Kansas) and various state courts in connection with the settlement of patent litigation by Abbott involving terazosin hydrochloride, a drug sold by Abbott under the trademark Hytrin[®]. These cases (which were brought against Abbott, Geneva Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Zenith Goldline Pharmaceuticals, Inc.) seek actual damages, treble damages, and other relief and allege Abbott violated state or federal antitrust laws and, in some cases, unfair competition laws. The Appellate Court of the State of New York, County of New York stayed two of these cases, *Asher* and *Lisanti*, pending the resolution of *In re: Terazosin Hydrochloride, MDL No. 1317*.

In its 2002 Form 10-K, Abbott reported that a number of cases, brought as purported class actions or representative actions on behalf of individuals or entities, are pending that allege generally that Abbott and numerous other pharmaceutical companies reported false pricing information in connection with certain drugs that are reimbursable under Medicare and Medicaid. Four cases have been brought by state Attorneys General (California, Montana, Nevada and West Virginia). These cases generally seek damages, treble damages, disgorgement of profits, restitution and attorneys' fees. The federal court cases have been consolidated in the United States District Court in Massachusetts under the Multidistrict Litigation Rules as *In re: Pharmaceutical Industry Average Wholesale Price Litigation, MDL 1456*. In June 2003, plaintiffs in *MDL 1456* filed an amended complaint which added (i) the allegation that the defendant pharmaceutical manufacturers conspired with publishers of pricing data and pharmaceutical benefit managers (PBMs) to raise drug reimbursement prices and (ii) antitrust and conspiracy claims relating to TogetherRx, a company through which Abbott and certain other pharmaceutical companies offer a prescription drug discount to certain low-income seniors. One additional case was filed on June 30, 2003, *International Union of Operating Engineers Local No. 68 Welfare Fund v. AstraZeneca PLC, et al.* in state court in Monmouth County, New Jersey. Abbott has filed or intends to file a response in each case denying all substantive allegations.

In its 2002 Form 10-K, Abbott reported that a number of cases have been brought against TAP Pharmaceutical Products Inc., Abbott and Takeda Chemical Industries, Ltd. in various courts that generally allege that TAP reported false pricing information in connection with Lupron®, a product reimbursable under Medicare. In one previously reported case, *Benoit*, a plaintiff has severed her claim, and has created a new case, *Grass v. Takeda, et al.*, pending in Jefferson County, Texas. In another previously reported case, *Stetser*, the Court granted plaintiffs' motion to certify a nationwide class of plaintiffs. The class certification ruling has been appealed.

In its Form 10-Q for the first quarter of 2003, Abbott reported that a number of cases were pending in which Abbott seeks to protect its patents for fenofibrate (a drug Abbott sells under the trademark TriCor®) and that it was seeking a rehearing of the court's decision in a case relating to the

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capsule product, *Novopharm Limited*, in which the United States Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit had affirmed the lower court's grant of summary judgment in favor of Novopharm. The request for a rehearing has been denied. Abbott has filed two additional cases alleging infringement of patents with respect to Abbott's tablet product: *Abbott Laboratories v. Cipher Pharmaceuticals*, filed on April 21, 2003 in the United States District Court for the District of Puerto Rico and *Abbott Laboratories v. Ranbaxy Pharmaceuticals*, filed on May 12, 2003 in the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey.

In its 2002 Form 10-K, Abbott reported that it is a defendant in numerous lawsuits involving the drug oxycodone (a drug sold under the trademark OxyContin®), which is manufactured by Purdue Pharma. Abbott promotes OxyContin to certain specialty physicians, including surgeons and anesthesiologists, under a co-promotion agreement with Purdue Pharma. Purdue Pharma is a defendant in each lawsuit and, pursuant to the co-promotion agreement, Purdue is required to indemnify Abbott in each lawsuit. Most of the lawsuits allege generally that plaintiffs suffered personal injuries as a result of taking OxyContin. Some of the lawsuits allege consumer protection violations and unfair trade practices. One suit by a third party payor alleges antitrust pricing violations and overpricing of the drug. As of June 30, 2003, there were a total of 262 lawsuits pending in which Abbott is a party. 96 cases were pending in federal court. 166 cases were pending in state court. 237 cases were brought by individual plaintiffs, and 25 cases were brought as actual or purported class action lawsuits. One case has been brought by the Attorney General for the State of West Virginia. As previously disclosed in the 2002 Form 10-K, a class of Ohio plaintiffs was certified in the case of *Howland v. Purdue Pharma, L.P. et al.*. That certification decision was affirmed by the Court of Appeals for Butler County, Ohio.

In its 2002 Form 10-K, Abbott reported that the U.S. Attorney's Office in the Southern District of Illinois has been conducting an industry-wide investigation of the enteral nutritional business. The investigation was focused on the sales and marketing practices in that business. Abbott has agreed to a settlement with the Department of Justice and with each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia concerning their respective Medicaid programs. On July 23, 2003, CG Nutritionals, Inc., a subsidiary of Abbott, pled guilty to a one count charge alleging interference with a federal healthcare investigation and agreed to pay a criminal fine of \$200 million. Abbott has also agreed to pay approximately \$414 million to the U.S. and to the 50 states and District of Columbia to resolve certain civil allegations. As part of the settlement, Abbott has entered into a Corporate Integrity Agreement with the Office of Inspector General for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The settlement is not expected to affect Abbott's ability to continue to do business with any private party or state or federal government. The U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Illinois accepted CG Nutritionals' plea and scheduled a further hearing on October 27, 2003 to impose the agreed upon disposition.

On June 27, 2003, Robert Corwin filed a shareholder derivative action against Abbott's current directors. The suit was filed in connection with the announcement that Abbott would take a \$622 million charge in anticipation of settling the investigation by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of

Illinois. The suit alleges that the directors breached their fiduciary duties in failing to stop the alleged improper business practices in the enteral nutritional business. Abbott and the directors deny all substantive allegations and intend to move to dismiss the case.

Abbott is a defendant in a number of lawsuits involving the drug sibutramine (sold under the trademark Meridia®) that have been brought either as purported class actions or on behalf of individual plaintiffs. The lawsuits generally allege design defects and failure to warn. Certain lawsuits also allege consumer protection violations and/or unfair trade practices. As of June 30, 2003, 99 lawsuits were pending in which Abbott is a party. 93 cases are being or have been transferred to the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio and are captioned *In Re Meridia MDL No. 1481*. Six cases are pending in state court: *Barley v. Knoll, et al.*, filed on October 15, 2002, in the Circuit Court of Montgomery County, Alabama; *Bracero, et al. v. Abbott, et al.*, filed on June 3, 2002, in

the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hudson County; *Killinger v. Abbott, et al.*, filed on November 18, 2002, in the Circuit Court of the 19th Judicial Circuit, Lake County, Illinois; *Olinger v. Abbott*, filed on January 8, 2003, in the Circuit Court of the 3rd Judicial Circuit, Madison County, Illinois; *Titus v. Knoll, et al.*, filed on October 1, 2002, in the District Court of Nueces County, Texas; and *Watson v. Abbott, et al.*, filed on July 25, 2002, in the 19th Judicial District Court, Parish of East Baton Rouge, Louisiana. One case is pending in Canada: *Mandel, et al. v. Abbott*, filed on June 24, 2002 in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Toronto, Canada; and one case is pending in Italy: *Casartelli v. Abbott, et al.*, in the Civil Court of Monza, Italy.

While it is not feasible to predict the outcome of such pending claims, proceedings and investigations with certainty, management is of the opinion that their ultimate dispositions should not have a material adverse effect on Abbott's financial position, cash flows, or results of operations, except with respect to the enteral nutritional investigation. Payment of the enteral nutritional settlement will be material to cash flows in the quarter paid.

Item 6. Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

(a) Exhibits

Incorporated by reference to the Exhibit Index included herewith.

(b) Reports on Form 8-K

On July 10, 2003, Abbott Laboratories furnished a Current Report on Securities and Exchange Commission Form 8-K reporting the press release issued by Abbott Laboratories that announced Abbott's results of operations for the second quarter of 2003.

On July 10, 2003, Abbott Laboratories filed a Current Report on Securities and Exchange Commission Form 8-K reporting that on June 20, 2003, the Abbott Board of Directors amended and restated the company's By-Laws. The amended and restated By-Laws were filed as an exhibit to the Report.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

By: /s/ THOMAS C. FREYMAN

Thomas C. Freyman, Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

Date: August 12, 2003

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Exhibit No.	Exhibit
10.1	The Abbott Laboratories 1991 Incentive Stock Program, as amended.
10.2	The Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program, as amended.
10.3	Abbott Laboratories 401(k) Supplemental Plan, as amended.
10.4	Abbott Laboratories Supplemental Pension Plan, as amended.

10.5	The 1986 Abbott Laboratories Management Incentive Plan, as amended.
10.6	Amended form of agreement regarding change in control between Abbott and each of the Named Officers identified in Abbott's Proxy
	Statement for the 2003 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.
10.7	Abbott Laboratories Equity-Based Award/Recognition Plan.
12	Statement re: computation of ratio of earnings to fixed charges.
31.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Required by Rule 13a-14(a) (17 CFR 240.13a-14(a)).
31.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Required by Rule 13a-14(a) (17 CFR 240.13a-14(a)).
Exhibits 32.1 a	nd 32.2 are furnished herewith and should not be deemed to be "filed" under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
32.1	Certification of Chief Executive Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of
	2002.
32.2	Certification of Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of
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99.1	Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements.

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ABBOTT LABORATORIES 1991 INCENTIVE STOCK PROGRAM (as amended and restated on June 20, 2003)

1. PURPOSE. The purpose of the Abbott Laboratories 1991 Incentive Stock Program (the "Program") is to attract and retain outstanding individuals as directors, officers and other employees of Abbott Laboratories (the "Company") and its subsidiaries, and to furnish incentives to such persons by providing such persons opportunities to acquire common shares of the Company, or monetary payments based on the value of such shares or financial performance of the Company, or both, on advantageous terms as herein provided.

2. ADMINISTRATION. The Program will be administered by a committee (the "Committee") of at least two persons which shall be either the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board of Directors") or such other committee comprised entirely of "disinterested persons" as defined in Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate. The Committee shall interpret the Program, prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating thereto and make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of the Program. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum and all determinations of the Committee under the Program may be made without notice of meeting of the Committee by a writing signed by a majority of the Committee members.

PARTICIPANTS. Participants in the Program will consist of such 3. officers and other employees of the Company and its subsidiaries as the Committee in its sole discretions may designate from time to time to receive Benefits hereunder. The Committee's designation of a participant in any year shall not require the Committee to designate such person to receive a Benefit in any other year. The Committee shall consider such factors as it deems pertinent in selecting participants and in determining the type and amount of their respective Benefits, including without limitation (i) the financial condition of the Company; (ii) anticipated profits for the current or future years; (iii) contributions of participants to the profitability and development of the Company; and (iv) other compensation provided to participants. Non-Employee Directors shall also be participants in the Program solely for purposes of receiving Restricted Stock Awards under paragraph 13. The term "Non-Employee Director" shall mean a member of the Board of Directors who is not a full-time employee of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

4. TYPES OF BENEFITS. Benefits under the Program may be granted in any one or a combination of (a) Incentive Stock Options; (b) Non-qualified Stock Options; (c) Stock Appreciation Rights; (d) Limited Stock Appreciation Rights;

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(e) Restricted Stock Awards; (f) Performance Units; and (g) Foreign Qualified Benefits, all as described below and pursuant to the Plans set forth in paragraphs 6-12 hereof.

5. SHARES RESERVED UNDER THE PROGRAM. There is hereby reserved for issuance under the Program an aggregate of Five Million (5,000,000) common shares, which may be newly issued or treasury shares. The shares hereby reserved are in addition to the shares previously reserved under the Company's 1977 Incentive Stock Plan, 1981 Incentive Stock Program and 1986 Incentive Stock Program (the "Prior Stock Option Plans"). Any common shares reserved for issuance under the Prior Stock Option Plans in excess of the number of shares as to which options or other Benefits have been awarded on the date of shareholder approval of this Program, plus any such shares as to which options or other Benefits granted under the Prior Stock Option Plans may lapse, expire, terminate or be canceled after such date, shall also be reserved and available for issuance in connection with Benefits under this Program. All of such shares may, but need not, be issued pursuant to the exercise of the Incentive Stock Options.

If there is a lapse, expiration, termination or cancellation of any Benefit granted hereunder without the issuance of shares or payment of cash thereunder, or if shares are issued under any Benefit and thereafter are reacquired by the Company pursuant to rights reserved upon the Issuance thereof, the shares subject to or reserved for such Benefit may again be used for new options, rights of awards or any sort authorized under this Program; provided, however, that in no event may the number of common shares issued under this Program exceed the total number of shares reserved for issuance hereunder.

6. INCENTIVE STOCK OPTION PLAN. Incentive Stock Options will consist of

options to purchase common shares at purchase prices not less than One Hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of such common shares on the date of grant. Incentive Stock Options will be exercisable over not more than ten (10) years after the date of grant. In the event of termination of employment for any reason other than retirement, disability or death, the right of the optionee to exercise an Incentive Stock Option shall terminate upon the earlier of the end of the original term of the option or three (3) months after the optionee's last day of work for the Company and its subsidiaries. In the event of termination of employment due to retirement or disability, or if the optionee should die while employed, the right of the optionee or his or her successor in interest to exercise an Incentive Stock Option shall terminate upon the earlier of the end of the original term of the option or sixty (60) months after the date of such retirement, disability or death. If the optionee should die within three (3) months after termination of employment for any reason other than retirement or disability, the right of his or her successor in interest to exercise an Incentive Stock Option shall terminate upon the earlier of the end of the original term of the option or three (3) months after the date of such death. If the optionee should die within sixty (60) months after termination of employment due to retirement or disability, the right of his or her successor in interest to exercise an Incentive Stock Option shall terminate upon the later of sixty (60) months after the date of such retirement or disability or six (6) months after the date of such death, but not later than the end of the original term of the option. The aggregate fair market value (determined as of the time the Option is granted) of the

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common shares with respect to which Incentive Stock Options are exercisable for the first time by any individual during any calendar year (under all option plans of the Company and its subsidiary corporations) shall not exceed \$100,000. An Incentive Stock Option granted to a participant who is subject to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") may be exercised only after six (6) months from its grant date (unless otherwise permitted under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission).

NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTION PLAN. Non-qualified Stock Options will 7. consist of options to purchase common shares at purchase prices not less than One Hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of such common shares on the date of grant. Non-qualified Stock Options will be exercisable over not more than ten (10) years after the date of grant. In the event of termination of employment for any reason other than retirement, disability or death, the right of the optionee to exercise a Non-qualified Stock Option shall terminate upon the earlier of the end of the original term of the option or three (3) months after the optionee's last day of work for the Company and its subsidiaries. In the event of termination of employment due to retirement or disability or if the optionee should die while employed, the right of the optionee or his or her successor in interest to exercise a Non-qualified Stock Option shall terminate upon the earlier of the end of the original term of the option or sixty (60) months after the date of such retirement, disability or death. If the optionee should die within three (3) months after termination of employment for any reason other than retirement or disability, the right of his or her successor in interest to exercise a Non-qualified Stock Option shall terminate upon the earlier of the end of the original term of the option or three (3) months after the date of such death. If the optionee should die within sixty (60) months after termination of employment due to retirement or disability, the right of his or her successor in interest to exercise a Non-qualified Stock Option shall terminate upon the later of sixty (60) months after the date of such retirement or disability or six (6) months after the date of such death, but not later than the end of the original term of the option. A Non-gualified Stock Option granted to a participant who is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act may be exercised only after six (6) months from its grant date (unless otherwise permitted under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission).

8. STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS PLAN. The Committee may, in its discretion, grant a Stock Appreciation Right to the holder of any stock option granted hereunder or under the Prior Stock Option Plans. Such Stock Appreciation Rights shall be subject to such terms and conditions consistent with the Program as the Committee shall impose from time to time, including the following:

- (a) A Stock Appreciation Right may be granted with respect to a stock option at the time of its grant or at any time thereafter up to six (6) months prior to its expiration.
- (b) Stock Appreciation Rights will permit the holder to surrender any related stock option or portion thereof which is then exercisable

equal to:

- The excess of the Fair Market Value on the date of such election of one common share over the option price multiplied by
- (ii) The number of shares covered by such option or portion thereof which is so surrendered.
- (c) A Stock Appreciation Right granted to a participant who is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act may be exercised only after six (6) months from its grant date (unless otherwise permitted under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission).
- (d) The Committee shall have the discretion to satisfy a participant's right to receive the amount of cash determined under subparagraph (b) hereof, in whole or in part, by the delivery of common shares valued as of the date of the participant's election.
- (e) A Stock Appreciation Right may be granted to a participant regardless of whether such participant has been granted a Limited Stock Appreciation Right with respect to the same stock option. However, a Stock Appreciation Right may not be exercised during any period that a Limited Stock Appreciation Right with respect to the same stock option may be exercised.
- (f) In the event of the exercise of a Stock Appreciation Right, the number of shares reserved for issuance shall be reduced by the number of shares covered by the stock option or portion thereof surrendered.

9. LIMITED STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS PLAN. The Committee may, in its discretion, grant a Limited Stock Appreciation Right to the holder of any stock option granted hereunder or under the Prior Stock Option Plans. Such Limited Stock Appreciation Rights shall be subject to such terms and conditions consistent with the Program as the Committee shall impose from time to time, including the following:

- (a) A Limited Stock Appreciation Right may be granted with respect to a stock option at the time of its grant or at any time thereafter up to six (6) months prior to its expiration.
- (b) A Limited Stock Appreciation Right will permit the holder to surrender any related stock option or portion thereof which is then exercisable and to receive in exchange therefor cash in an amount equal to:

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- The excess of the Fair Market Value on the date of such election of one common share over the option price multiplied by
- (ii) The number of shares covered by such option or portion thereof which is so surrendered.
- (c) A Limited Stock Appreciation Right granted to a participant who is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act may be exercised only after six (6) months from its grant date (unless otherwise permitted under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission) and only during the sixty (60) day period commencing with the day following the date of a Change In Control.
- (d) A Limited Stock Appreciation Right may be granted to a participant regardless of whether such participant has been granted a Stock Appreciation Right with respect to the same stock option.
- (e) In the event of the exercise of a Limited Stock Appreciation Right, the number of shares reserved for issuance hereunder shall be reduced by the number of shares covered by the stock option or portion thereof surrendered.

10. RESTRICTED STOCK AWARDS PLAN. Restricted Stock Awards will consist of common shares transferred to participants without other payment therefor as additional compensation for their services to the Company or one of its subsidiaries. Restricted Stock Awards shall be subject to such terms and conditions as the Committee determines appropriate, including, without limitations, restrictions on the sale or other disposition of such shares and rights of the Company to reacquire such shares upon termination of the participant's employment within specified periods. Subject to such other restrictions as are imposed by the Committee, the common shares covered by a Restricted Stock Award granted to a participant who is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act may be sold or otherwise disposed of only after six (6) months from the grant date of the award (unless otherwise permitted under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission).

11. PERFORMANCE UNITS PLAN. Performance Units shall consist of monetary units granted to participants which may be earned in whole or in part if the Company achieves certain goals established by the Committee over a designated period of time, but not in any event more than five (5) years. The goals established by the Committee may include earnings per share, return on shareholder equity, return on average total capital employed, and/or such other goals as may be established by the Committee in its discretion. In the event the minimum corporate goal established by the Committee is not achieved at the conclusion of a period, no amount shall be paid to or vested in the participant. In the event the maximum corporate goal is achieved, One Hundred percent (100%) of the monetary value of the Performance Units shall be paid to or vested in the participants. Partial achievement of the maximum goal may result in a

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payment or vesting corresponding to the degree of achievement. Payment of an award earned may be in cash or in common shares or in a combination of both, and may be made when earned, or vested and deferred, as the Committee in its sole discretion determines. Deferred awards shall earn interest on the terms and at a rate determined by the Committee. The number of shares reserved for issuance hereunder shall be reduced by the largest whole number obtained by dividing monetary value of the units at the commencement of the performance period by the market value of a common share at such time, provided that such number of shares may again become available for issuance under this Program as is provided in Paragraph 5 hereof.

12. FOREIGN QUALIFIED BENEFITS. Benefits under the Program may be granted to such employees of the Company and its subsidiaries who are residing in foreign jurisdictions as the Committee in its sole discretion may determine from time to time. The Committee may adopt such supplements to the Program as may be necessary to comply with the applicable laws of such foreign jurisdictions and to afford participants favorable treatment under such laws; provided, however, that no Benefit shall be granted under any such supplement with terms or conditions which are inconsistent with the provisions as set forth under the Program.

13. RESTRICTED STOCK AWARDS FOR NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTORS.

- (a) Each person elected a Non-Employee Director at the annual shareholders meeting in 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994 and 1995 shall receive a restricted Stock Award on that date covering a number of common shares with a fair market value on the date of the award closest to, but not in excess of, Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000).
- (b) ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES. As soon as practicable following the date of the award the Company shall issue certificates ("Certificates") to the Non-Employee Director receiving the award, representing the number of common shares covered by the award. At the discretion of the Company, the Certificates shall bear legends describing the restrictions on such shares imposed by this paragraph 13.
- (c) RIGHTS. Upon issuance of the Certificates, the directors in whose names they are registered shall, subject to the restrictions of this paragraph 13, have all of the rights of a shareholder with respect to the shares represented by the Certificates, including the right to vote such shares and receive case dividends and other distributions thereon.
- (d) RESTRICTED PERIOD. The shares covered by awards granted under this paragraph 13 may not be sold or otherwise disposed of within six (6) months following their grant date (unless otherwise

permitted under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission) and in addition shall be subject to the restrictions of this paragraph 13 for a period (the "Restricted Period") commencing with the date of the award and ending on the earliest of the following events:

- (i) The date the director terminates or retires from the Board;
- (ii) The date the director dies; or
- (e) RESTRICTIONS. All shares covered by awards granted under this paragraph 13 shall be subject to the following restrictions during the Restricted Period:
 - (i) The shares may not be sold, assigned, transferred, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of.
 - (ii) Any additional common shares of the Company or other securities or property issued with respect to shares covered by awards granted under this paragraph 13 as a result of any stock dividend, stock split or reorganization, shall be subject to the restrictions and other provisions of this paragraph 13.
 - (iii) A director shall not be entitled to receive any shares prior to completion of all actions deemed appropriate by the Company to comply with federal or state securities laws and stock exchange requirements.
- (f) Except in the event of conflict, all provisions of the Program shall apply to this paragraph 13. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Program and this paragraph 13, this paragraph 13 shall control. Those provisions of paragraph 16 which authorize the Committee to declare outstanding restricted stock awards to be vested and to amend or modify the terms of Benefits shall not apply to awards granted under this paragraph 13.

14. NONTRANSFERABILITY. Each stock option and stock appreciation right granted under this Program shall not be transferable other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and shall be exercisable, during the participant's lifetime, only by the participant or the participant's guardian or legal representative. A participant's interest in a Performance Unit shall not be transferable until payment or delivery of the award is made.

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15. OTHER PROVISIONS. The award of any Benefit under the Program may also be subject to other provisions (whether or not applicable to the Benefit awarded to any other participant) as the Committee determines appropriate, including, without limitation, provisions for the purchase of common shares under stock options in installments, provisions for the payment of the purchase price of shares under stock options by delivery of other common shares of the Company having a then market value equal to the purchase price of such shares, restrictions on resale or other disposition, such provisions as may be appropriate to comply with federal or state securities laws and stock exchange requirements and understandings or conditions as to the participant's employment in addition to those specifically provided for under the Program.

The Committee may, in its discretion, permit payment of the purchase price of shares under stock options by delivery of a properly executed exercise notice together with a copy of irrevocable instructions to a broker to deliver promptly the Company the amount of sale or loan proceeds to pay the purchase price. To facilitate the foregoing, the Company may enter into agreements for coordinated procedures with one or more brokerage firms.

The Committee may, in its discretion and subject to such rules as it may adopt, permit a participant to pay all or a portion of the federal, state and local taxes, including FICA withholding tax, arising in connection with the following transactions: (a) the exercise of a Non-qualified Stock Option; (b) the lapse of restrictions on common shares received as a Restricted Stock Award; or (c) the receipt or exercise of any other Benefit; by electing (i) to have the Company withhold common shares, (ii) to tender back common shares received in connection with such Benefit or (iii) to deliver other previously acquired common shares of the Company having a fair market value approximately equal to the amount to be withheld.

16. TERM OF PROGRAM AND AMENDMENT MODIFICATION. CANCELLATION OR ACCELERATION OF BENEFITS. No Benefit shall be granted more than five (5) years after the date of the approval of this Program by the shareholders; provided, however, that the terms and conditions applicable to any Benefits granted prior to such date may at any time be amended, modified or canceled by mutual agreement between the Committee and the participant or such other persons as may then have an interest therein, so long as any amendment or modification does not increase the number of common shares issuable under this Program; and provided further, that the Committee may, at any time and in its sole discretion, declare any or all stock options and stock appreciation rights then outstanding under this Program or the Prior Stock Option Plans to be exercisable, any or all then outstanding Restricted Stock Awards to be vested, and any or all then outstanding Performance Units to have been earned, whether or not such options, rights, awards or units are then otherwise exercisable, vested or earned.

17. AMENDMENT TO PRIOR STOCK OPTION PLANS. No options or other Benefits shall be granted under the Prior Stock Option Plans on or after the date of shareholder approval of this Program.

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18. TAXES. The Company shall be entitled to withhold the amount of any tax attributable to any amount payable or shares deliverable under the Program after giving the person entitled to receive such amount or shares notice as far in advance as practicable, and the Company may defer making payment or delivery if any such tax may be pending unless and until indemnified to its satisfaction.

19. DEFINITIONS.

- (a) FAIR MARKET VALUE. Except as provided below, the Fair Market Value of the Company's common shares shall be determined by such methods or procedures as shall be established by the Committee; provided that, in the case of any Limited Stock Appreciation Right (other than a right related to an Incentive Stock Option), the Fair Market Value shall be the higher of:
 - The highest daily closing price of the Company's common shares during the sixty (60) day period following the Change in Control; or
 - (ii) The highest gross price paid or to be paid for the Company's common shares in any of the transactions described in paragraphs 19(c)(i) and 19(c)(ii).
- (b) SUBSIDIARY. The term "subsidiary" for all purposes other than the Incentive Stock Option Plan described in paragraph 6, shall mean any corporation, partnership, joint venture or business trust, fifty percent (50%) or more of the control of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company. For Incentive Stock Option Plan purposes the term "subsidiary" shall be defined as provided in Internal Revenue Code Section 425(f).
- (c) CHANGE IN CONTROL. A "Change in Control" shall be deemed to have occurred on the earliest of the following dates:
 - (i) the date any Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from the Company or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities, excluding any Person who becomes such a Beneficial Owner in connection with a transaction described in clause (a) of paragraph (iii) below; or
 - (ii) the date the following individuals cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the number of directors then serving: individuals who, on the date hereof, constitute the Board of Directors and any new director (other than a

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director whose initial assumption of office is in connection with an actual or threatened election contest, including but not limited to a consent solicitation, relating to the election of directors of the Company) whose appointment or election by the Board of Directors or nomination for election by the Company's shareholders was approved or recommended by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors then still in office who either were directors on the date hereof or whose appointment, election or nomination for election was previously so approved or recommended; or

- (iii) the date on which there is consummated a merger or consolidation of the Company or any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Company with any other corporation or other entity, other than (a) a merger or consolidation (I) immediately following which the individuals who comprise the Board of Directors immediately prior thereto constitute at least a majority of the Board of Directors of the Company, the entity surviving such merger or consolidation or, if the Company or the entity surviving such merger or consolidation is then a subsidiary, the ultimate parent thereof and (II) which results in the voting securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior to such merger or consolidation continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity or any parent thereof), in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the securities of the Company or such surviving entity or any parent thereof outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation, or (b) a merger or consolidation effected to implement a recapitalization of the Company (or similar transaction) in which no Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company (not including in the securities Beneficially Owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from the Company or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities; or
- (iv) the date the shareholders of the Company approve a plan of complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company or there is consummated an agreement for the sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's

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assets, other than a sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets to an entity, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of which are owned by shareholders of the Company, in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company, in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of the Company immediately prior to such sale.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a "Change in Control" shall not be deemed to have occurred by virtue of the consummation of any transaction or series of integrated transactions immediately following which the record holders of the common stock of the Company immediately prior to such transaction or series of transactions continue to have substantially the same proportionate ownership in an entity which owns all or substantially all of the assets of the Company immediately following such transaction or series of transactions.

For purposes of this Program: "Affiliate" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under Section 12 of the Exchange Act; "Beneficial Owner" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act; and "Person" shall have the meaning given in Section 3(a)(9) of the Exchange Act, as modified and used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) thereof, except that such term shall not include (i) the Company or any of its subsidiaries, (ii) a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any of its Affiliates, (iii) an underwriter temporarily holding securities pursuant to an offering of such securities, or (iv) a corporation owned, directly or indirectly, by the shareholders of the Company in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of stock of the Company.

- (d) DISABILITY. The term "disability" for all purposes of the Program shall mean the participant's disability as defined in subsection 4.1(a) of the Abbott Laboratories Extended Disability Plan for twelve (12) consecutive months.
- 20. ADJUSTMENT PROVISIONS.
 - (a) If the Company shall at any time change the number of issued common shares without new consideration to the Company (such as by stock dividends or stock splits), the total number of shares

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reserved for issuance under this Program and the number of shares covered by each outstanding Benefit and the purchase price of such shares shall be adjusted so that the aggregate consideration payable to the Company and the value of each such Benefit shall not be changed.

- (b) Subject to paragraph 20(c), without affecting number of shares otherwise reserved or available hereunder, the Committee may authorize the issuance or assumption of Benefits in connection with any merger, consolidation, acquisition of property or stock, or reorganization upon such terms and conditions as it may deem appropriate.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Program or the Prior Stock Option Plans including the terms of any Benefit granted hereunder, if the outstanding common shares of the Company shall be combined, or be changed into, or exchanged for, another kind of stock of the Company, into securities of another corporation, or into property (including cash) whether through recapitalization, reorganization, sale, merger, consolidation, spin-off, business combination or a similar transaction (a "Transaction"), the Company shall cause its successor, acquiror (or ultimate parent of any successor or acquiror), as applicable, to assume each stock option, Stock Appreciation Right and Limited Stock Appreciation Right outstanding immediately prior to the Transaction (or to cause new options or rights to be substituted therefor). Pursuant to such assumed or substituted option or rights, participants shall thereafter be entitled to receive, upon due exercise of any portion of the option or right, (a) in the event of a Transaction in which the outstanding common shares of the Company are combined, or changed into, or exchanged for, solely another kind of stock of the Company or securities of another corporation (disregarding, for this purpose, cash paid in lieu of fractional shares), the securities which that person would have been entitled to receive for common shares acquired through exercise of the same portion of such option or right immediately prior to the effective date of such Transaction, and (b) in the event of a Transaction in which the outstanding common shares of the Company are changed into, or exchanged for, property (including cash) other than solely stock of the Company or securities of another corporation (disregarding, for this purpose, cash paid in lieu of fractional shares), securities the fair market value of which immediately following the effective date of such Transaction (as determined by the Committee) equals the fair market value (as determined by the Committee) of the property which that person would have been entitled to receive for common shares acquired through exercise of the same portion of such option or right immediately prior to the effective date of such

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Transaction. In each case such assumed or substituted option or right shall continue to be subject to the same terms and conditions (including, without limitation, with respect to any right to receive "replacement options" upon option exercise) to which it was subject immediately prior to the Transaction.

Notwithstanding the immediately preceding paragraph, upon a Transaction in which the outstanding common shares of the Company are changed into, or exchanged for, property (including cash) other than solely stock of the Company or securities of another corporation (disregarding, for this purpose, cash paid in lieu of fractional shares) and which constitutes a Change in Control, each participant may elect to receive, immediately following such Transaction in exchange for cancellation of any stock option (other than an Incentive Stock Option granted prior to June 19, 2003), Stock Appreciation Right or Limited Appreciation Right held by such participant immediately prior to the Transaction, a cash payment, with respect to each common share subject to such option or right, equal to the difference between the value of consideration (as determined by the Committee) received by the shareholders for a common share of the Company in the Transaction, less any applicable purchase price.

- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Program or the Prior Stock Option Plans including the terms of any Benefit granted hereunder, upon the occurrence of a Change in Control:
 - (i) All stock options then outstanding under this Program or the Prior Stock Option Plans shall become fully exercisable as of the date of the Change in Control, whether or not then otherwise exercisable;
 - (ii) All Stock Appreciation Rights and Limited Stock Appreciation Rights then outstanding shall become fully exercisable as of the date of the Change in Control, whether or not then otherwise exercisable;
 - (iii) All terms and conditions of all Restricted Stock Awards then outstanding shall be deemed satisfied as of the date of the Change in Control; and
 - (iv) All Performance Units then outstanding shall be deemed to have been fully earned and to be immediately payable, in cash, as of the date of the Change in Control.

21. AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION OF PROGRAM. The Board of Directors may amend the Program from time to time or terminate the Program at any

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time, but no such action shall reduce the then existing amount of any participant's Benefit or adversely change the terms and conditions thereof without the participant's consent. Paragraph 13 of the Program may not be amended more frequently than once every six months other than to comport with changes in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the rules thereunder, and no amendment of the Program shall result in any Committee member losing his or her status as a "disinterested person" as defined in Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to any employee benefit plan of the Company or result in the Program losing its status as a protected plan under said Rule 16b-3.

22. EFFECTIVE DATE. The Program was originally adopted by the Board of Directors on February 8, 1991.

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ABBOTT LABORATORIES 1996 INCENTIVE STOCK PROGRAM (as amended and restated June 20, 2003)

1. PURPOSE. The purpose of the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program (the "Program") is to attract and retain outstanding directors, officers and other employees of Abbott Laboratories (the "Company") and its subsidiaries, and to furnish incentives to such persons by providing opportunities to acquire common shares of the Company, or monetary payments based on the value of such shares or the financial performance of the Company, or both, on advantageous terms as herein provided and to further align such persons' interests with those of the Company's other shareholders through compensation that is based on the value of the Company's common shares.

ADMINISTRATION. The Program will be administered by a committee (the "Committee") of at least two persons which shall be either the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board of Directors") or such other committee comprised entirely of persons who are both: (i) "disinterested persons" as defined in Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission; and (ii) "outside directors" as defined under Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or any successor provision; as the Board of Directors may from time to time designate. The Committee shall interpret the Program, prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating thereto and make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of the Program. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum and all determinations of the Committee shall be made by a majority of its members. Any determination of the Committee under the Program may be made without notice of meeting of the Committee by a writing signed by all of the Committee members. The Committee may, from time to time, delegate any or all of its duties, powers and authority to any officer or officers of the Company, except to the extent such delegation would be inconsistent with Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission or other applicable law, rule or regulation. The Chief Executive Officer of the Company may, on behalf of the Committee, grant stock options and restricted stock awards under the Program, other than to persons subject to Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). All such grants by the Chief Executive Officer must be reported to, and ratified by, the Committee within twelve months of the grant date but, if ratified, shall be effective as of the grant date.

3. PARTICIPANTS. Participants in the Program will consist of such officers and other employees of the Company and its subsidiaries as the Committee in its sole discretion may designate from time to time to receive Benefits hereunder. The Committee's designation of a participant in any year shall not require the Committee to designate such person to receive a Benefit in any other year. The Committee shall consider such factors as it deems pertinent in selecting participants and in determining the type and amount of their respective Benefits, including without limitation (i) the financial condition of the Company; (ii) anticipated profits for the current or future years; (iii) contributions of participants to the profitability and development of the Company; (iv)

prior awards to participants; and (v) other compensation provided to participants. Non-Employee Directors shall also be participants in the Program solely for purposes of receiving Restricted Stock Awards under paragraph 13 and Non-qualified Stock Options under paragraph 14. The term "Non-Employee Director" shall mean a member of the Board of Directors who is not a full-time employee of the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

4. TYPES OF BENEFITS. Benefits under the Program may be granted in any one or a combination of (a) Incentive Stock Options; (b) Non-qualified Stock Options; (c) Stock Appreciation Rights; (d) Limited Stock Appreciation Rights; (e) Restricted Stock Awards; (f) Performance Awards; and (g) Foreign Qualified Benefits, all as described below.

5. SHARES RESERVED UNDER THE PROGRAM. There is hereby reserved for issuance under the Program: (i) an aggregate of Five Million (5,000,000) common shares; plus (ii) an authorization for each calendar year (the "Annual Authorization") for the years 1996 through 1999, of seven-tenths of one percent (0.7%) of the total common shares of the Company issued and outstanding as of the first day of such calendar year and for the years from and including 2000, one and a half percent (1.5%) of the total common shares of the Company issued and outstanding as of the first day of such calendar year; which may be newly issued or treasury shares. The shares hereby reserved are in addition to the shares previously reserved under the Company's 1981 Incentive Stock Program, 1986 Incentive Stock Program and 1991 Incentive Stock Program (the "Prior Programs"). Any common shares reserved for issuance under the Prior Programs in excess of the number of shares as to which options or other Benefits have been awarded on the date of shareholder approval of this Program, plus any such shares as to which options or other Benefits granted under the Prior Programs may lapse, expire, terminate or be canceled after such date, shall also be reserved and available for issuance in connection with Benefits under this Program. Any common shares reserved under the Program for any calendar year under an Annual Authorization as to which options or other Benefits have not been awarded as of the end of such calendar year shall be available for issuance in connection with Benefits granted in subsequent years.

If there is a lapse, expiration, termination or cancellation of any Benefit granted hereunder without the issuance of shares or payment of cash thereunder, or if shares are issued under any Benefit and thereafter are reacquired by the Company pursuant to rights reserved upon the issuance thereof, or shares are reacquired pursuant to the payment of the purchase price of shares under stock options by delivery of other common shares of the Company, the shares subject to or reserved for such Benefit, or so reacquired, may again be used for new options, rights or awards of any sort authorized under this Program; provided, however, that in no event may the number of common shares issued under this Program, and not reacquired by the Company pursuant to rights reserved upon the issuance thereof or pursuant to the payment of the purchase price of shares under stock options by delivery of other common shares of the Company, exceed the total number of shares reserved for issuance hereunder.

6. INCENTIVE STOCK OPTIONS. Incentive Stock Options will consist of options

to purchase common shares at purchase prices not less than One Hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of such common shares on the date of grant. An Incentive Stock Option will not be exercisable after the expiration of ten (10) years from the date such option is granted. In the event of termination of employment for any reason other than retirement, disability or death, the right of the optionee to exercise an Incentive Stock Option shall terminate upon the earlier of the end of the original term of the option or three (3) months after the optionee's last day of work for the Company and its subsidiaries. In the event of termination of employment due to retirement or disability, or if the optionee should die while employed, the right of the optionee or his or her successor in interest to exercise an Incentive Stock Option shall terminate upon the end of the original term of the option. If the optionee should die within three (3) months after termination of employment for any reason other than retirement or disability, the right of his or her successor in interest to exercise an Incentive Stock Option shall terminate upon the earlier of the end of the original term of the option or three (3) months after the date of such death. To the extent the aggregate fair market value (determined as of the time the Option is granted) of the common shares with respect to which any Incentive Stock Option is exercisable for the first time by any individual during any calendar year (under all option plans of the Company and its subsidiary corporations) exceeds \$100,000, the excess shall be treated as a Non-qualified Stock Option. An Incentive Stock Option shall be exercisable as determined by the Committee, but in no event earlier than six (6) months from its grant date.

NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTIONS. Non-qualified Stock Options will consist of options to purchase common shares at purchase prices not less than One Hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of such common shares on the date of grant. A Non-qualified Stock Option will not be exercisable after the expiration of ten (10) years from the date such option is granted. In the event of termination of employment for any reason other than retirement, disability or death, the right of the optionee to exercise a Non-qualified Stock Option shall terminate upon the earlier of the end of the original term of the option or three (3) months after the optionee's last day of work for the Company and its subsidiaries. In the event of termination of employment due to retirement or disability, or if the optionee should die while employed, the right of the optionee or his or her successor in interest to exercise a Non-qualified Stock Option shall terminate upon the end of the original term of the option. If the optionee should die within three (3) months after termination of employment for any reason other than retirement or disability, the right of his or her successor in interest to exercise a Non-gualified Stock Option shall terminate upon the earlier of the end of the original term of the option or three (3) months after the date of such death. A Non-qualified Stock Option shall be exercisable as determined by the Committee, but in no event earlier than six (6) months from its grant date.

8. STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS. The Committee may, in its discretion, grant a Stock Appreciation Right to the holder of any stock option granted hereunder or under the Prior Programs. Such Stock Appreciation Rights shall be subject to such terms and conditions consistent with the Program as the Committee shall impose from time to time, including the following:

- (a) A Stock Appreciation Right may be granted with respect to a stock option at the time of its grant or at any time thereafter up to six(6) months prior to its expiration.
- (b) Stock Appreciation Rights will permit the holder to surrender any related stock option or portion thereof which is then exercisable and to elect to receive in exchange therefor cash in an amount equal to:
 - (i) The excess of the Fair Market Value on the date of such election of one common share over the option price multiplied by
 - (ii) The number of shares covered by such option or portion thereof which is so surrendered.
- (c) A Stock Appreciation Right granted to a participant who is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act may be exercised only after six (6) months from its grant date (unless such exercise would not affect the exemption under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission).
- (d) A Stock Appreciation Right may be granted to a participant regardless of whether such participant has been granted a Limited Stock Appreciation Right with respect to the same stock option. However, a Stock Appreciation Right may not be exercised during any period that a Limited Stock Appreciation Right with respect to the same stock option may be exercised.
- (e) In the event of the exercise of a Stock Appreciation Right, the number of shares reserved for issuance hereunder shall be reduced by the number of shares covered by the stock option or portion thereof surrendered.

9. LIMITED STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS. The Committee may, in its discretion, grant a Limited Stock Appreciation Right to the holder of any stock option granted hereunder or under the Prior Programs. Such Limited Stock Appreciation Rights shall be subject to such terms and conditions consistent with the Program as the Committee shall impose from time to time, including the following:

- (a) A Limited Stock Appreciation Right may be granted with respect to a stock option at the time of its grant or at any time thereafter up to six (6) months prior to its expiration.
- (b) A Limited Stock Appreciation Right will permit the holder to surrender any related stock option or portion thereof which is then exercisable and to receive in exchange therefor cash in an amount equal to:
 - (i) The excess of the Fair Market Value on the date of such election of one common share over the option price multiplied by
 - (ii) The number of shares covered by such option or portion thereof

which is so surrendered.

- (c) A Limited Stock Appreciation Right granted to a participant who is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act may be exercised only after six (6) months from its grant date (unless such exercise would not affect the exemption under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission) and only during the sixty (60) day period commencing on the later of:
 - (i) the day following the date of a Change in Control; or (ii) the first date on which such exercise would be exempt under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission.
- (d) A Limited Stock Appreciation Right may be granted to a participant regardless of whether such participant has been granted a Stock Appreciation Right with respect to the same stock option.
- (e) In the event of the exercise of a Limited Stock Appreciation Right, the number of shares reserved for issuance hereunder shall be reduced by the number of shares covered by the stock option or portion thereof surrendered.

10. RESTRICTED STOCK AWARDS. Restricted Stock Awards will consist of common shares transferred to participants without other payment therefor as additional compensation for their services to the Company or any of its subsidiaries. Restricted Stock Awards granted under this paragraph 10 shall be satisfied from the Company's available treasury shares. Restricted Stock Awards shall be subject to such terms and conditions as the Committee determines appropriate, including, without limitation, restrictions on the sale or other disposition of such shares and rights of the Company to reacquire such shares upon termination of the participant's employment within specified periods. Subject to such other restrictions as are imposed by the Committee, the common shares covered by a Restricted Stock Award granted to a participant who is subject to Section 16 of the Exchange Act may be sold or otherwise disposed of only after six (6) months from the grant date of the award (unless such sale would not affect the exemption under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission). No more than ten percent (10%) of the total number of shares available for grant in any calendar year may be issued as Restricted Stock Awards under paragraphs 10 and 13 in that year.

11. PERFORMANCE AWARDS. Performance Awards in the form of Performance Units or Performance Shares may be granted to any participant in the Program. Performance Units shall consist of monetary awards which may be earned in whole or in part if the Company achieves certain goals established by the Committee over a designated period of time. Performance Shares shall consist of common shares or awards denominated in common shares which may be earned in whole or in part if the Company achieves certain goals established by the Committee over a designated period of time. The goals established by the Committee over a designated period of time. The goals established by the Committee shall be based on any one, or combination of, earnings per share, return on equity, return on assets, total shareholder return, net operating income, cash flow, increase in revenue, economic value added, increase in

share price or cash flow return on investment. Partial achievement of the goal(s) may result in a payment or vesting corresponding to the degree of achievement. Payment of an award earned may be in cash or in common shares or in a combination of both, and may be made when earned, or may be vested and deferred, as the Committee in its sole discretion determines. The maximum amount which may be granted under all Performance Awards for any one year for any one participant shall be Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000). This limit shall be applied to Performance Shares by multiplying the number of Performance Shares granted by the fair market value of one common share on the date of the award. During the term of the Program, no more than 5 million shares of Abbott common stock may be granted in the form of Performance Units and no more than 5 million shares of Abbott common stock may be granted in the form of Performance Shares. This paragraph 11 is intended to comply with the performance-based compensation requirements of Section 162(m) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and shall be interpreted in accordance with the rules and regulations thereunder.

12. FOREIGN QUALIFIED BENEFITS. Benefits under the Program may be granted to such employees of the Company and its subsidiaries who are residing in foreign jurisdictions as the Committee in its sole discretion may determine from time to time. The Committee may adopt such supplements to the Program as may be necessary to comply with the applicable laws of such foreign jurisdictions and to afford participants favorable treatment under such laws; provided, however, that no Benefit shall be granted under any such supplement with terms or conditions which are inconsistent with the provisions as set forth under the Program.

13. RESTRICTED STOCK AWARDS FOR NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTORS.

- (a) Each year, on the date of the annual shareholders meeting, each person who is elected a Non-Employee Director at the annual shareholders meeting shall be awarded both: (i) a Restricted Stock Award covering a number of common shares with a fair market value on the date of the award closest to, but not in excess of, an amount equal to six times the monthly fee in effect under Section 3.1 of the Abbott Laboratories Non-Employee Director's Fee Plan on the date of the award and (ii) in the years 1996 through 2005, a Restricted Stock Award covering a number of common shares with a fair market value on the date of the award closest to, but not in excess of, Twenty-Two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000) for awards made in years 1996 through 2000 and Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) for awards made in years 2001 through 2005.
- (b) ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES. As soon as practicable following the date of the award the Company shall issue certificates ("Certificates") to the Non-Employee Director receiving the award, representing the number of common shares covered by the award. Each Certificate shall bear a legend describing the restrictions on such shares imposed by this paragraph 13.

names they are registered shall, subject to the restrictions of this paragraph 13, have all of the rights of a shareholder with respect to the shares represented by the certificates, including the right to vote such shares and receive cash dividends and other distributions thereon.

- (d) RESTRICTED PERIOD. The shares covered by awards granted under this paragraph 13 may not be sold or otherwise disposed of within six (6) months following their grant date (unless such sale would not affect the exemption under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission) and in addition shall be subject to the restrictions of this paragraph 13 for a period (the "Restricted Period") commencing with the date of the award and ending on the earliest of the following events:
 - (i) The date the director terminates or retires from the Board;
 - (ii) The date the director dies; or
 - (iii) The date of occurrence of a Change in Control (as defined in paragraph 20(c)).
- (e) RESTRICTIONS. All shares covered by awards granted under this paragraph 13 shall be subject to the following restrictions during the Restricted Period:
 - The shares may not be sold, assigned, transferred, pledged, hypothecated or otherwise disposed of.
 - (ii) Any additional common shares of the Company or other securities or property issued with respect to shares covered by awards granted under this paragraph 13 as a result of any stock dividend, stock split or reorganization, shall be subject to the restrictions and other provisions of this paragraph 13.
 - (iii) A director shall not be entitled to receive any shares prior to completion of all actions deemed appropriate by the Company to comply with federal or state securities laws and stock exchange requirements.
- (f) Except in the event of conflict, all provisions of the Program shall apply to this paragraph 13. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of the Program and this paragraph 13, this paragraph 13 shall control. Those provisions of paragraph 17 which authorize the Committee to declare outstanding restricted stock awards to be vested and to amend or modify the terms of Benefits shall not apply to awards granted under this paragraph 13. Restricted Stock Awards granted under this paragraph 13 shall be satisfied from the Company's available treasury shares.
- 14. NON-QUALIFIED STOCK OPTIONS FOR NON-EMPLOYEE DIRECTORS.
 - (a) Each Non-Employee Director may elect to receive any or all of his or her fees earned during the second half of 1996 and each subsequent calendar year under Section 3 of the Abbott Laboratories Non-Employee Directors' Fee Plan (the "Directors' Fee Plan") in the form of Non-qualified Stock Options under this Section 14. Each such election shall be irrevocable, and must be made in writing and filed with the Secretary of the Company by December 31, 1995 (for fees earned in the second half of 1996) and (for fees earned in subsequent calendar years) by June 30 of the calendar year preceding the calendar year in which such fees are earned (or such later date as may be permissible under Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, but in no event later than December 31 of such preceding calendar year).
 - (b) A Non-Employee Director may file a new election each calendar year applicable to fees earned in the immediately succeeding calendar year. If no new election or revocation of a prior election is received by June 30 of any calendar year (or such later date as may be permissible under paragraph (a)), the election, if any, in effect for such calendar year shall continue in effect for the immediately succeeding calendar year. Any election made under this Section 14 shall take precedence over any election made by the director for the same period, under the Directors' Fee Plan, to the extent necessary to resolve any conflict between such elections. If a director does not elect to receive his or her fees in the form of Non-qualified Stock Options, the fees due such director shall be paid or deferred as provided in the Directors' Fee Plan and any applicable election thereunder by the

director.

- (c) The number of common shares covered by each Non-qualified Stock Option granted in any year under this Section 14 shall be determined based on an independent appraisal for such year of the intrinsic value of options granted hereunder and the amount of fees covered by the director's election for such year. The number of common shares covered by options granted in 1996 (as determined under this procedure) shall be the number of whole shares equal to (i) the product of three (3) times the amount of fees which the director has elected under paragraph (a) to receive in the form of Non-qualified Stock Options, divided by (ii) One Hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of one common share on the grant date. Any fraction of a share shall be disregarded, and the remaining amount of the fees corresponding to such option shall be paid as provided in the Directors' Fee Plan and any applicable election thereunder by the director.
- (d) Effective on October 10, 1997, each Non-qualified Stock Option due a director under this Section 14 prior to the 1998 annual shareholders meeting shall be granted on October 10, 1997 at a purchase price equal to One Hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of the common

shares covered by such option on the grant date. Effective with the 1998 Annual Shareholders Meeting, each Non-qualified Stock Option due a director under this Section 14 shall be granted annually, on the date of the annual shareholders meeting, at a purchase price equal to One Hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of the common shares covered by such option on the grant date. Each such option shall be immediately exercisable and nonforfeitable, and shall not be exercisable after the expiration of ten (10) years from the date it is granted. Each such option shall contain provisions allowing payment of the purchase price and, to the extent permitted, any taxes due on exercise, by delivery of other common shares of the Company (or, in the case of the payment of taxes, by withholding of shares).

(e) All Non-qualified Stock Options granted under this Section 14 prior to October 10, 1997, shall be immediately exercisable and nonforfeitable, and shall not be exercisable after the expiration of ten (10) years from the date granted.

15. NONTRANSFERABILITY. Except as provided by the Committee, each stock option and stock appreciation right granted under this Program shall not be transferable other than by will or the laws of descent and distribution, and shall be exercisable, during the participant's lifetime, only by the participant or the participant's guardian or legal representative.

16. OTHER PROVISIONS. The award of any Benefit under the Program may also be subject to other provisions (whether or not applicable to the Benefit awarded to any other participant) as the Committee determines appropriate, including, without limitation, provisions for the purchase of common shares under stock options in installments, provisions for the payment of the purchase price of shares under stock options by delivery of other common shares of the Company having a then market value equal to the purchase price of such shares, restrictions on resale or other disposition, such provisions as may be appropriate to comply with federal or state securities laws and stock exchange requirements and understandings or conditions as to the participant's employment in addition to those specifically provided for under the Program.

In the case of a participant who is subject to Section 16(a) and 16(b) of the Exchange Act, the Committee may, at any time, add such conditions and limitations to any Benefit granted to such participant, or any feature of any such Benefit, as the Committee, in its sole discretion, deems necessary or desirable to comply with Section 16(a) or 16(b) and the rules and regulations thereunder or to obtain any exemption therefrom. A participant may pay the purchase price of shares under stock options by delivery of a properly executed exercise notice together with a copy of irrevocable instructions to a broker to deliver promptly to the Company the amount of sale or loan proceeds to pay the purchase price. To facilitate the foregoing, the Company may enter into agreements for coordinated procedures with one or more brokerage firms.

The Committee may, in its discretion and subject to such rules as it may adopt,

permit or require a participant to pay all or a portion of the federal, state and local taxes, including FICA and medicare withholding tax, arising in connection with the following transactions: (a) the exercise of a Non-qualified Stock Option; (b) the lapse of restrictions on common shares received as a Restricted Stock Award; or (c) the receipt or exercise of any other Benefit; by (i) having the Company withhold common shares, (ii) tendering back common shares received in connection with such Benefit or (iii) delivering other previously acquired common shares of the Company having a fair market value approximately equal to the amount to be withheld.

The Committee may grant stock options under the Program (and, for stock options granted prior to shareholder approval of this Program, under the Company's 1991 Incentive Stock Program) that provide for the grant of replacement stock options if all or any portion of the purchase price or taxes incurred in connection with the exercise, are paid by delivery (or, in the case of payment of taxes, by withholding of shares) of other common shares of the Company. The replacement stock option shall cover the number of common shares surrendered to pay the purchase price, plus the number of shares surrendered or withheld to satisfy the participant's tax liability, shall have an exercise price equal to One Hundred percent (100%) of the Fair Market Value of such common shares on the date such replacement stock option is granted, shall first be exercisable six months from the date of grant of the replacement stock option and shall have an expiration date equal to the expiration date of the original stock option.

17. TERM OF PROGRAM AND AMENDMENT, MODIFICATION, CANCELLATION OR ACCELERATION OF BENEFITS. The Program shall continue in effect until terminated by the Board of Directors, except that no Incentive Stock Option shall be granted more than ten (10) years after the date of adoption of this Program. The terms and conditions applicable to any Benefits may at any time be amended, modified or canceled by mutual agreement between the Committee and the participant or such other persons as may then have an interest therein, so long as any amendment or modification does not increase the number of common shares issuable under this Program; and provided further, that the Committee may, at any time and in its sole discretion, declare any or all stock options and stock appreciation rights then outstanding under this Program or the Prior Programs to be exercisable and any or all then outstanding Restricted Stock Awards to be vested, whether or not such options, rights or awards are then otherwise exercisable or vested. Notwithstanding the foregoing, except as provided in paragraph 22, the Committee shall neither lower the purchase price of any option granted under the Program nor grant any option under the Program in replacement of a cancelled option which had previously been granted at a higher purchase price, without shareholder approval.

18. AMENDMENT TO PRIOR PROGRAMS. No options or other Benefits shall be granted under the Prior Programs on or after the date of shareholder approval of this Program.

19. INDIVIDUAL LIMIT ON OPTIONS AND STOCK APPRECIATION RIGHTS; AGGREGATE LIMIT ON INCENTIVE STOCK OPTIONS. The maximum number of shares with respect to which Incentive Stock Options, Non-qualified Stock Options,

Stock Appreciation Rights and Limited Stock Appreciation Rights may be granted to any one participant, in aggregate in any one calendar year, shall be One Million (1,000,000) shares. Incentive Stock Options with respect to no more than the lesser of (i) Seventy-Five Million (75,000,000) shares (plus any shares acquired by the Company pursuant to payment of the purchase price of shares under incentive stock options by delivery of other common shares of the Company), or (ii) the total number of shares reserved under paragraph 5 may be issued under the Plan.

20. TAXES. The Company shall be entitled to withhold the amount of any tax attributable to any amount payable or shares deliverable under the Program after giving the person entitled to receive such amount or shares notice as far in advance as practicable, and the Company may defer making payment or delivery if any such tax may be pending unless and until indemnified to its satisfaction.

21. DEFINITIONS.

- (a) FAIR MARKET VALUE. Except as provided below, the Fair Market Value of the Company's common shares shall be determined by such methods or procedures as shall be established by the Committee; provided that, in the case of any Limited Stock Appreciation Right (other than a right related to an Incentive Stock Option), the Fair Market Value shall be the higher of:
 - The highest daily closing price of the Company's common shares during the sixty (60) day period following the Change in Control; or
 - (ii) The highest gross price paid or to be paid for the Company's common shares in any of the transactions described in paragraphs 21(c)(i) and 21(c)(ii).

- (b) SUBSIDIARY. The term "subsidiary" for all purposes other than the Incentive Stock Option provisions in paragraph 6, shall mean any corporation, partnership, joint venture or business trust, fifty percent (50%) or more of the control of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company. For Incentive Stock Option purposes the term "subsidiary" shall be defined as provided in Internal Revenue Code Section 424(f).
- (c) CHANGE IN CONTROL. A "Change in Control" shall be deemed to have occurred on the earliest of the following dates:
 - (i) the date any Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from the Company or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities, excluding any Person who becomes such a Beneficial Owner in connection with a transaction described in

clause (a) of paragraph (iii) below; or

- (ii) the date the following individuals cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the number of directors then serving: individuals who, on the date hereof, constitute the Board of Directors and any new director (other than a director whose initial assumption of office is in connection with an actual or threatened election contest, including but not limited to a consent solicitation, relating to the election of directors of the Company) whose appointment or election by the Board of Directors or nomination for election by the Company's shareholders was approved or recommended by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors then still in office who either were directors on the date hereof or whose appointment, election or nomination for election was previously so approved or recommended; or
- the date on which there is consummated a merger or (iii) consolidation of the Company or any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Company with any other corporation or other entity, other than (a) a merger or consolidation (I) immediately following which the individuals who comprise the Board of Directors immediately prior thereto constitute at least a majority of the Board of Directors of the Company, the entity surviving such merger or consolidation or, if the Company or the entity surviving such merger or consolidation is then a subsidiary, the ultimate parent thereof and (II) which results in the voting securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior to such merger or consolidation continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity or any parent thereof), in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the securities of the Company or such surviving entity or any parent thereof outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation, or (b) a merger or consolidation effected to implement a recapitalization of the Company (or similar transaction) in which no Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company (not including in the securities Beneficially Owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from the Company or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities; or
- (iv) the date the shareholders of the Company approve a plan of complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company or there is consummated an agreement for the sale or disposition by the

Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, other than a sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets to an entity, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of which are owned by shareholders of the Company, in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company, in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of the Company immediately prior to such sale.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a "Change in Control" shall not be deemed to have occurred by virtue of the consummation of any transaction or series of integrated transactions immediately following which the record holders of the common stock of the Company immediately prior to such transaction or series of transactions continue to have substantially the same proportionate ownership in an entity which owns all or substantially all of the assets of the Company immediately following such transaction or series of transactions.

For purposes of this Program: "Affiliate" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under Section 12 of the Exchange Act; "Beneficial Owner" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act; and "Person" shall have the meaning given in Section 3(a)(9) of the Exchange Act, as modified and used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) thereof, except that such term shall not include (i) the Company or any of its subsidiaries, (ii) a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any of its Affiliates, (iii) an underwriter temporarily holding securities pursuant to an offering of such securities, or (iv) a corporation owned, directly or indirectly, by the shareholders of the Company in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of stock of the Company.

- (d) DISABILITY. The term "disability" for all purposes of the Program shall mean the participant's disability as defined in subsection 4.1(a) of the Abbott Laboratories Extended Disability Plan for twelve (12) consecutive months.
- 22. ADJUSTMENT PROVISIONS.
 - (a) If the Company shall at any time change the number of issued common shares without new consideration to the Company (such as by stock dividends or stock splits), the total number of shares reserved for issuance under this Program, the individual and aggregate limits described in paragraphs 11 and 19 on the number of shares that may be granted or

issued (as the case may be), the number of shares covered by each outstanding Benefit and the purchase price of such shares shall be adjusted so that the aggregate consideration payable to the Company and the value of each such Benefit shall not be changed.

- (b) Subject to paragraph 22(c), without affecting the number of shares otherwise reserved or available hereunder, the Committee may authorize the issuance or assumption of Benefits in connection with any merger, consolidation, acquisition of property or stock, or reorganization upon such terms and conditions as it may deem appropriate.
- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Program or the Prior Programs including the terms of any Benefit granted hereunder, if the outstanding common shares of the Company shall be combined, or be changed into, or exchanged for, another kind of stock of the Company, into securities of another corporation, or into property (including cash) whether through recapitalization, reorganization, sale, merger, consolidation, spin-off, business combination or a similar transaction (a "Transaction"), the Company shall cause its successor, acquiror (or ultimate parent of any successor or acquiror), as applicable, to assume each stock option, Stock Appreciation Right and Limited Stock Appreciation Right outstanding immediately prior to the Transaction (or to cause new options or rights to be substituted therefor). Pursuant to such assumed or substituted option or rights, participants shall thereafter be entitled to receive, upon due exercise of any portion of the option or right, (a) in the event of a Transaction in which the outstanding common shares of the Company are combined, or changed into, or exchanged for, solely another kind of stock of the Company or securities of another corporation (disregarding, for this purpose, cash paid in lieu of fractional shares), the securities which that person would have been entitled to receive for common shares acquired through exercise of the same portion of such option or right immediately prior to the effective date of such Transaction, and (b) in the event of a Transaction in which the outstanding common shares

of the Company are changed into, or exchanged for, property (including cash) other than solely stock of the Company or securities of another corporation (disregarding, for this purpose, cash paid in lieu of fractional shares), securities the fair market value of which immediately following the effective date of such Transaction (as determined by the Committee) equals the fair market value (as determined by the Committee) of the property which that person would have been entitled to receive for common shares acquired through exercise of the same portion of such option or right immediately prior to the effective date of such Transaction. In each case such assumed or substituted option or right shall continue to be subject to the same terms and conditions (including, without limitation, with respect to any right to receive "replacement options" upon option exercise) to which it was subject immediately prior to the Transaction.

Notwithstanding the immediately preceding paragraph, upon a Transaction in which the outstanding common shares of the Company are changed into, or exchanged for, property (including cash) other than solely stock of the Company or securities of another corporation (disregarding, for this purpose, cash paid in lieu of fractional shares) and which constitutes a Change in Control, each participant may elect to receive, immediately following such Transaction in exchange for cancellation of any stock option (other than an Incentive Stock Option granted prior to June 20, 2003, Stock Appreciation Right or Limited Appreciation Right held by such participant immediately prior to the Transaction, a cash payment, with respect to each common share subject to such option or right, equal to the difference between the value of consideration (as determined by the Committee) received by the shareholders for a common share of the Company in the Transaction, less any applicable purchase price.

- (d) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Program or the Prior Programs including the terms of any Benefit granted hereunder, upon the occurrence of a Change in Control:
 - All stock options then outstanding under this Program or the Prior Programs shall become fully exercisable as of the date of the Change in Control, whether or not then otherwise exercisable;
 - (ii) All Stock Appreciation Rights and Limited Stock Appreciation Rights then outstanding shall become fully exercisable as of the date of the Change in Control, whether or not then otherwise exercisable;
 - (iii) All terms and conditions of all Restricted Stock Awards then outstanding shall be deemed satisfied as of the date of the Change in Control; and
 - (iv) All Performance Awards then outstanding shall be deemed to have been fully earned and to be immediately payable, in cash, as of the date of the Change in Control.

23. AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION OF PROGRAM. The Board of Directors may amend the Program from time to time or terminate the Program at any time, but no such action shall reduce the then existing amount of any participant's Benefit or adversely change the terms and conditions thereof without the participant's consent. Notwithstanding the foregoing, except as provided in paragraph 22, the Company shall neither lower the purchase price of any option granted under the Program nor grant any option under the Program in replacement of a cancelled option which had previously been granted at a higher purchase price, without shareholder approval. To the extent required for compliance with Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, paragraph 13 of the Program may not be amended more frequently than once every six months other than to comport with changes in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as

amended, or the rules thereunder, and no amendment of the Program shall result in any Committee member losing his or her status as a "disinterested person" as defined in Rule 16b-3 of the Securities and Exchange Commission with respect to any employee benefit plan of the Company or result in the Program or awards thereunder losing their exempt status under said Rule 16b-3.

24. EFFECTIVE DATE. The Program was originally adopted by the Board of Directors on October 13, 1995.

Amended effective June 20, 2003

ABBOTT LABORATORIES 401(K) SUPPLEMENTAL PLAN

SECTION 1 INTRODUCTION

1-1. PURPOSE. This Abbott Laboratories 401(k) Supplemental Plan (the "Plan") is being established by Abbott Laboratories ("Abbott") to provide eligible management employees of Abbott an opportunity to accumulate capital for their retirement or other termination of employment in excess of the contributions allowed under the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Plan ("Stock Plan").

1-2. EFFECTIVE DATE. The Plan shall be effective as of October 1, 1993.

1-3. ADMINISTRATION. The Plan shall be administered by the Compensation Committee (the "Committee") appointed by the Board of Directors of Abbott (the "Board of Directors").

SECTION 2 ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION

2-1. PERSONS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE. Participation in the Plan shall be limited to employees who are serving as corporate officers of Abbott as of October 1, 1993 or who become corporate officers thereafter. The term "corporate officer" for purposes of the Plan shall mean an individual elected an officer of Abbott by its Board of Directors (or designated as such for purposes of the Plan by the Committee), but shall not include assistant officers. In the event an employee should cease to be a corporate officer of Abbott due to demotion, termination of employment or otherwise, such employee shall cease to be eligible to participate in the Plan and any contributions then being made on behalf of such employee shall immediately cease.

2-2. PARTICIPANT. An eligible employee may elect to participate in the Plan by electing to have contributions made on the employee's behalf as provided in Section 5.

SECTION 3 EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS

3-1. ALLOWABLE CONTRIBUTIONS. An eligible employee may elect to have his employer make "pre-tax contributions" on his behalf in an amount not greater than 18% in total of his compensation in any calendar year for services rendered to his employer. A pre-tax contribution made by an employer on behalf of a participant shall reduce the participant's compensation at the time of payment of such compensation. Each election hereunder shall be in writing, and shall be in multiples of 1% of compensation.

3-2. COMPENSATION. A participant's "compensation" shall have the same meaning as that term is used in Subsection 7-2 of the Stock Plan.

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3-3. MAXIMUM EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS. Notwithstanding Subsection 3.1, in no event shall the sum of:

- the participant's total contributions, pre-tax contributions, supplemental deposits and supplemental pre-tax contributions made under the Stock Plan; plus
- (b) the participant's total pre-tax contributions made under the Plan;

for any calendar year, exceed 18% of the employee's compensation for such year. In the event the limitation described in this subsection 3.3 would be exceeded for any participant, the participant's pre-tax contributions made under this Plan shall be reduced until the limit is not exceeded.

SECTION 4 EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS

For the calendar year ending December 31, 1993, and for each subsequent calendar year, Abbott shall make a contribution on behalf of each

participant in the Plan who makes pre-tax contributions ("basic contributions") under the Plan during such year at the rate of two percent (2%) of compensation in excess of, for calendar year 1993, Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000), and for calendar years subsequent to 1993, the limit in effect for such year under Section 401(a)(17), Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended. Such employer contribution shall be in an amount equal to the contribution the participant would have received under subsection 8-3 of the Stock Plan with respect to such basic contributions had such basic contributions been made under subsection 7-1 of the Stock Plan. A participant who suspends his basic contributions to the Plan during any calendar year shall receive an employer contribution under this Section 4 based on the basic contributions made by the participant during such year.

A contribution made by a participant under subsection 5.4 shall be considered a basic contribution for purposes of this Section 4 to the extent it includes contributions at the rate of two percent (2%) of compensation for 1993 in excess of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000).

SECTION 5 ELECTIONS

5-1. ANNUAL ELECTIONS REQUIRED. Except as provided in subsections 5.2 and 5.3, a participant shall elect to make pre-tax contributions with respect to compensation earned in any calendar year, prior to the first day of such calendar year. Each such election shall be in writing, shall be filed with the Committee, shall be effective only for the calendar year for which made and, except as provided in subsection 5.2, shall be irrevocable. Notwithstanding subsection 5.2, an employee who fails to make an election under this subsection 5.1 for a calendar year may not contribute to the Plan during such year.

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5-2. LIMITED CHANGES. A participant who has elected under subsection 5.1 to make pre-tax contributions for any calendar year, may increase or decrease such pre-tax contributions during such calendar year by filing a written election with the Committee. A participant may make no more than two such elections under this subsection 5.2 during such calendar year. Any election filed under this subsection 5.2 shall become effective for compensation earned no earlier then the first payroll period commencing after receipt of the election by the Committee. Any election filed under this subsection 5.2 shall remain in effect for compensation earned during the remainder of such calendar year unless changed by a subsequent election under this subsection 5.2.

5-3. NEWLY ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES. A newly eligible employee (including employees who become eligible due to the adoption of the Plan) shall make the election described in subsection 5.1 within thirty (30) days of the date he is notified of his eligibility to participate in the Plan. Any such election shall become effective for compensation earned no earlier then the first payroll period commencing after receipt of the election by the Committee and shall remain in effect for the remainder of the then current calendar year unless changed as provided in subsection 5.2.

5-4. SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR 1993. Employees who are serving as corporate officers of Abbott and who have established "Grantor Trusts" under the 1986 Abbott Laboratories Management Incentive Plan ("MIP") as of October 1, 1993, may elect to make a lump-sum contribution based on compensation earned during the period of January 1, 1993 through September 30, 1993 (the "Make-up Period") by filing an election with the Administrator and tendering payment in cash to such Grantor Trust of the amount of the contribution, not later than October 31, 1993. Any such contribution shall not exceed the maximum contribution allowed under subsection 3.3 based on the employee's Stock Plan contributions made, and compensation earned, during the Make-Up Period.

5-5. GRANTOR TRUST ELECTION. As part of the annual elections described in subsection 5.1, each participant may also elect to have his pre-tax and employer contributions for such year deposited in a "Grantor Trust" established by the participant under the circumstances and on the terms described in subsection 6.1. Any such election shall be irrevocable and shall apply to all pre-tax contributions made during, and employer contributions made for, such calendar year on behalf of such participant. If the participant fails to make an election under this subsection 5.5, the participant's pre-tax contributions made during, and employer contribution made for, such calendar year shall be retained by Abbott and shall not be deposited in a grantor trust in the future.

SECTION 6 FUNDING EMPLOYER AND EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS

6-1. CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE DEPOSITED IN GRANTOR TRUSTS. Each participant's pre-tax contributions and employer contributions which the

participant has filed an election under subsection 5.5 shall be retained by Abbott and credited to a Grantor Trust Account established under subsection 7.1. As soon as practicable after the

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date the value of the participant's Grantor Trust Account exceeds Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000), the entire value of such account, less the approximate aggregate federal, state and local individual income taxes (determined under subsection 8.5) attributable to the Grantor Trust Account, shall be deposited in a "Grantor Trust" established by the participant, provided such trust is in a form which the Committee determines is substantially similar to the trust attached to this Plan as Exhibit A. The appropriate aggregate federal, state and local individual income taxes attributable to the Grantor Trust Account shall be paid directly to the participant.

6-2. CONTRIBUTIONS TO BE RETAINED BY ABBOTT. Each participant's pre-tax contributions and employer contributions for which the participant has not filed an election under subsection 5.5 shall be retained by Abbott and credited to a Deferred Account established under subsection 7.1.

6-3. AFTER ESTABLISHMENT OF GRANTOR TRUST. After a Grantor Trust has been established by a participant under subsection 6.1, all pre-tax contributions and employer contributions made thereafter for which the participant has filed an election under Subsection 5.5, shall be deposited in such Grantor Trust (less the approximate aggregate federal, state and local individual income taxes (determined under subsection 8.5) attributable to such contributions). Such deposits shall be made as soon as practicable after the last complete payroll period of the calendar quarter in which the contributions are made.

6-4. FUNDING SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION FOR 1993. The full amount of any contribution made by a participant under subsection 5.4 shall be deposited in the participant's Grantor Trust established under subsection 5.1 of the MIP. Such participant's Trust Account established under subsection 5.2 of the MIP shall be credited with the sum of (a) the amount of such contribution, plus (b) the amount of the approximate aggregate federal, state and local individual income taxes (determined under subsection 6.7 of the MIP) attributable to the sum of paragraph (a) and (b) of this subsection 6.4. Thereafter, such contribution shall be treated for all purposes of the MIP as if it were an allocation paid under subsection 5.1 (b) of the MIP.

SECTION 7 ACCOUNTING

7-1. SEPARATE ACCOUNTS. The Committee shall maintain two separate Accounts, a "Deferred Account" and a "Trust Account" in the name of each participant. The Deferred Account shall be comprised of any pre-tax contributions made on behalf of the participant under subsection 3.1 and any employer contributions made on behalf of the participant under Section 4, for which the participant has not made an election under subsection 5.5, and any adjustments made pursuant to subsection 7.2. The "Trust Account" shall be comprised of any pre-tax contributions made on behalf of the participant under subsection 3.1 and any employer contributions made on behalf of the participant under Section 4, for which the participant has made an election under subsection 5.5, and any adjustments made pursuant to subsection 7.3.

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7-2. ADJUSTMENT OF DEFERRED ACCOUNTS. As of the end of each calendar year, the Administrator shall adjust each participant's Deferred Account as follows:

- (a) FIRST, charge an amount equal to any payments made to the participant during that year pursuant to subsections 7.9 or 7.10;
- (b) NEXT, credit an amount equal to any pre-tax contributions and employer contributions made on behalf of such participant for that year for which the participant has not made an election under subsection 5.5; and
- (c) FINALLY, credit an amount equal to the Interest Accrual earned for that year pursuant to subsection 7.4.

7-3. ADJUSTMENT OF TRUST ACCOUNTS. As of the end of each calendar year, the Administrator shall adjust each participant's Trust Account as follows:

- (a) FIRST, charge an amount equal to the product of: (i) any payments made to the participant during that year from the participant's Grantor Trust (other than distributions of trust earnings in excess of the Net Interest Accrual authorized by the administrator of the trust to provide for the Tax Gross Up under subsection 8.4); multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the balance in the participant's Trust Account as of the end of the prior calendar year and the denominator of which is the balance of the participant's Grantor Trust (as determined by the administrator of the trust) as of that same date;
- (b) NEXT, credit an amount equal to any pre-tax contributions and employer contributions made on behalf of the participant for that year for which the participant has made an election under subsection 5.5;
- (c) FINALLY, credit an amount equal to the Interest Accrual earned for that year pursuant to subsection 7.4.

7-4. INTEREST ACCRUALS ON ACCOUNTS. As of the end of each calendar year, a participant's Deferred Account and Trust Account shall be credited with interest equal to: (a) the average of the prime rates of interest charged by the two largest banks located in the City of Chicago on loans made by them as of January 1 and the end of each month of the calendar year plus (b) two hundred twenty-five (225) basis points. Such interest shall be credited on the conditions established by the Committee.

7-5. GUARANTEED RATE PAYMENTS. In addition to any employer contribution made on behalf of a participant for any calendar year pursuant to section 4, Abbott shall also make a payment to a participant's Grantor Trust (a "Guaranteed Rate Payment") for any year in which the net earnings of such trust do not equal or exceed the participant's Net Interest Accrual for that year. A participant's "Net Interest Accrual" for a year is an amount equal to: (a) the Interest Accrual credited to the participant's Trust Account for that year; less (b) the product of (i) the amount of such Interest Accrual,

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multiplied by (ii) the aggregate of the federal, state and local individual income tax rates (determined in accordance with subsection 8.5). The Guaranteed Rate Payment shall equal the difference between the participant's Net Interest Accrual and the net earnings of the participant's Grantor Trust for the year, and shall be paid within 90 days of the end of the calendar year.

7-6. DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARIES. Subject to the conditions and limitations set forth below, each participant, and after a participant's death, each primary beneficiary designated by a participant in accordance with the provisions of this subsection 7.6, shall have the right from time to time to designate a primary beneficiary or beneficiaries and, successive or contingent beneficiary or beneficiaries to receive unpaid amounts from the participant's Deferred Account under the Plan. Beneficiaries may be a natural person or persons or a fiduciary, such as a trustee of a trust or the legal representative of an estate. Any such designation shall take effect upon the death of the participant or such beneficiary, as the case may be, or in the case of any fiduciary beneficiary, upon the termination of all of its duties (other than the duty to dispose of the right to receive amounts remaining to be paid under the Plan). The conditions and limitations relating to the designation of beneficiaries are as follows:

- (a) A nonfiduciary beneficiary shall have the right to designate a further beneficiary or beneficiaries only if the original participant or the next preceding primary beneficiary, as the case may be, shall have expressly so provided in writing; and
- (b) A fiduciary beneficiary shall designate as a further beneficiary or beneficiaries only those persons or other fiduciaries who are entitled to receive the amounts payable from the participant's account under the trust or estate of which it is a fiduciary.

Any beneficiary designation or grant of any power to any beneficiary under this subsection may be exercised only by an instrument in writing, executed by the person making the designation or granting such power and filed with the Secretary of Abbott during such person's lifetime or prior to the termination of a fiduciary's duties. If a deceased participant or a deceased nonfiduciary beneficiary who had the right to designate a beneficiary as provided above dies without having designated a further beneficiary, or if no beneficiary designated as provided above is living or qualified and acting, the Committee, in its discretion, may direct distribution of the amount remaining from time to time to

- (i) any one or more or all of the next of kin (including the surviving spouse) of the participant or the deceased beneficiary, as the case may be, and in such proportions as the Committee determines; or
- (ii) the legal representative of the estate of the deceased participant or deceased beneficiary as the case may be.

7-7. NON-ASSIGNABILITY AND FACILITY OF PAYMENT. Amounts payable to participants and their beneficiaries under the Plan are not in any way subject to their debts and other obligations, and may not be voluntarily or involuntarily sold, transferred or assigned; provided that the preceding provisions of this section shall not be construed as restricting in any way a designation right granted to a beneficiary pursuant to the terms of subsection 7.6. When a participant or the beneficiary of a participant is under legal disability, or in the Committee's opinion is in any way incapacitated so as to be unable to manage his or her financial affairs, the Committee may direct that payments shall be made to the participant's or beneficiary's legal representative, or to a relative or friend of the participant or beneficiary for the benefit of the participant or beneficiary, or the Committee may direct the payment or distribution for the benefit of the participant or beneficiary in any manner that the Committee determines.

7-8. PAYER OF AMOUNTS ALLOCATED TO PARTICIPANTS. Any employer contribution made on behalf of a participant in the Plan and any interest credited thereto (and to other contributions) will be paid by the employer (or such employer's successor) by whom the participant was employed during the calendar year for which any amount was allocated, and for that purpose, if a participant shall have been employed by two or more employers during any calendar year the amount allocated under this Plan for that year shall be an obligation of each of the respective employers in proportion to the respective amounts of compensation paid by each of them in that calendar year.

7-9. MANNER OF PAYMENT. Subject to subsection 7.10, a participant shall elect the timing and manner of payment of each portion of his Deferred Account attributable to contributions made for any calendar year, at the time of his election for such calendar year under subsection 5.1. Notwithstanding subsection 5.2, any election made under this subsection 7.10 shall be irrevocable as to that portion of the Deferred Account to which the election relates. The participant may select a payment method from any of the following alternatives:

- Payment in a lump-sum as soon as practicable following the participant's retirement or other termination of employment; or
- (b) Payment under any method allowed by the Committee for deferred accounts under the MIP.

7-10. PAYMENT UPON TERMINATION FOLLOWING CHANGE IN CONTROL. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Plan, if employment of any participant with Abbott and its subsidiaries should terminate for any reason within five (5) years after the date of a Change in Control, the aggregate unpaid balance of the participant's Deferred Account and Trust Account, shall be paid to the participant in a lump sum within thirty (30) days following the date of such termination.

7-11. CHANGE IN CONTROL. A "Change in Control" shall be deemed to have occurred on the earliest of the following dates:

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- (a) the date any Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of Abbott (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from Abbott or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of Abbott's then outstanding securities, excluding any Person who becomes such a Beneficial Owner in connection with a transaction described in clause (i) of paragraph (c) below; or
- (b) the date the following individuals cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the number of directors then serving: individuals who, on the date hereof, constitute the Board of Directors and any new director (other than a director whose

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initial assumption of office is in connection with an actual or threatened election contest, including but not limited to a consent solicitation, relating to the election of directors of Abbott) whose appointment or election by the Board of Directors or nomination for election by Abbott's shareholders was approved or recommended by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors then still in office who either were directors on the date hereof or whose appointment, election or nomination for election was previously so approved or recommended; or

- (C) the date on which there is consummated a merger or consolidation of Abbott or any direct or indirect subsidiary of Abbott with any other corporation or other entity, other than (i) a merger or consolidation (A) immediately following which the individuals who comprise the Board of Directors immediately prior thereto constitute at least a majority of the Board of Directors of Abbott, the entity surviving such merger or consolidation or, if Abbott or the entity surviving such merger or consolidation is then a subsidiary, the ultimate parent thereof and (B) which results in the voting securities of Abbott outstanding immediately prior to such merger or consolidation continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity or any parent thereof), in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of Abbott or any subsidiary of Abbott, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the securities of Abbott or such surviving entity or any parent thereof outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation, or (ii) a merger or consolidation effected to implement a recapitalization of Abbott (or similar transaction) in which no Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of Abbott (not including in the securities Beneficially Owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from Abbott or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of Abbott's then outstanding securities; or
- (d) the date the shareholders of Abbott approve a plan of complete liquidation or dissolution of Abbott or there is consummated an agreement for the sale or disposition by Abbott of all or substantially all of Abbott's assets, other

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than a sale or disposition by Abbott of all or substantially all of Abbott's assets to an entity, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of which are owned by shareholders of Abbott, in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of Abbott or any subsidiary of Abbott, in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of Abbott immediately prior to such sale.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a "Change in Control" shall not be deemed to have occurred by virtue of the consummation of any transaction or series of integrated transactions immediately following which the record holders of the common stock of Abbott immediately prior to such transaction or series of transactions continue to have substantially the same proportionate ownership in an entity which owns all or substantially all of the assets of Abbott immediately following such transaction or series of transactions.

For purposes of this Plan: "Affiliate" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under Section 12 of the Exchange Act; "Beneficial Owner" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act; "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time; and "Person" shall have the meaning given in Section 3(a)(9) of the Exchange Act, as modified and used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) thereof, except that such term shall not include (i) Abbott or any of its subsidiaries, (ii) a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of Abbott or any of its Affiliates, (iii) an underwriter temporarily holding securities pursuant to an offering of such securities, or (iv) a corporation owned, directly or indirectly, by the shareholders of Abbott in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of stock of Abbott.

7-12. POTENTIAL CHANGE IN CONTROL. A "Potential Change in Control" shall exist during any period in which the circumstances described in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) or (d), below, exist (provided, however, that a Potential Change in Control shall cease to exist not later than the occurrence of a Change in Control):

- (a) Abbott enters into an agreement, the consummation of which would result in the occurrence of a Change in Control, provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (a) shall cease to exist upon the expiration or other termination of all such agreements.
- (b) Any Person (without regard to the exclusions set forth in subsections (i) through (iv) of such definition) publicly announces an intention to take or to consider taking actions the consummation of which would constitute a Change in Control; provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (b) shall cease to exist upon the withdrawal of such

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intention, or upon a determination by the Board of Directors that there is no reasonable chance that such actions would be consummated.

- (c) Any Person becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of Abbott representing 10% or more of either the then outstanding shares of common stock of Abbott or the combined voting power of Abbott's then outstanding securities (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from Abbott or its Affiliates).
- (d) The Board of Directors adopts a resolution to the effect that, for purposes of this Agreement, a Potential Change in Control exists; provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (d) shall cease to exist upon a determination by the Board of Directors that the reasons that gave rise to the resolution providing for the existence of a Potential Change in Control have expired or no longer exist.

7-13. PROHIBITION AGAINST AMENDMENT. The provisions of subsections 7.10, 7.11, 7.12 and this subsection 7.13 may not be amended or deleted, nor superseded by any other provision of this Plan, (i) during the pendency of a Potential Change in Control and (ii) during the period beginning on the date of a Change in Control and ending on the date five (5) years following such Change in Control.

SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS

8-1. RULES. The Committee may establish such rules and regulations as it may consider necessary or desirable for the effective and efficient administration of the Plan.

8-2. TAXES. Any employer shall be entitled, if necessary or desirable, to pay, or withhold the amount of any federal, state or local tax, attributable to any amounts payable by it under the Plan after giving the person entitled to receive such amount notice as far in advance as practicable, and may defer making payment of any amount with respect to which any such tax question may be pending unless and until indemnified to its satisfaction.

8-3. RIGHTS OF PARTICIPANTS. Employment rights of participants with Abbott and its subsidiaries shall not be enlarged or affected by reason of establishment of or inclusion as a participant in the Plan. Nothing contained in the Plan shall require Abbott or any subsidiary to segregate or earmark any assets, funds or property for the purpose of payment of any amounts which may have been deferred. The Deferred and Trust Accounts established pursuant to subsection 7.1 are for the convenience of the administration of the Plan and no trust relationship with respect to such Accounts is intended or should be implied. Participant's rights shall be limited to payment to them at the time or times and in such amounts as are contemplated by the Plan. Any decision made by the Committee which is within his sole and uncontrolled discretion, shall be conclusive and binding upon all persons whomsoever.

TAX GROSS UP. In addition to the employer contribution 8-4. provided under Section 4, each participant (or, if the participant is deceased, the beneficiary designated under the participant's Grantor Trust) shall be entitled to a Tax Gross Up payment for each year there is a balance in his Trust Account. The "Tax Gross Up" shall approximate: (a) the amount necessary to compensate the participant (or beneficiary) for the net increase in the participant's (or beneficiary's) federal, state and local income taxes as a result of the inclusion in his taxable income of the income of the participant's Grantor Trust and any Guaranteed Rate Payment for that year; less (b) any distribution to the participant (or beneficiary) of his Grantor Trust's net earnings for that year; plus (c) an amount necessary to compensate the participant (or beneficiary) for the net increase in the taxes described in (a) above as a result of the inclusion in his taxable income of any payment made pursuant to this subsection 8.4. Payment of the Tax Gross Up shall be made by the employers (in such proportions as Abbott shall designate) directly from their general corporate assets.

8-5. INCOME TAX ASSUMPTIONS. For purposes of Sections 7 and 8, a participant's federal income tax rate shall be deemed to be the highest marginal rate of federal individual income tax in effect in the calendar year in which a calculation under those Sections is to be made, and state and local tax rates shall be deemed to be the highest marginal rates of individual income tax in effect in the state and locality of the participant's residence on the date such a calculation is made, net of any federal tax benefits.

8-6. GENDER. For purposes of the Plan, words in the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter genders, the singular shall include the plural and the plural shall include the singular.

8-7. MANNER OF ACTION BY COMMITTEE. A majority of the members of the Committee qualified to act on any particular question may act by meeting or by writing signed without meeting, and may execute any instrument or document required or delegate to one of its members authority to sign. The Committee from time to time may delegate the performance of certain ministerial functions in connection with the Plan, such as the keeping of records, to such person or persons as the Committee may select. Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Plan, the costs of administration of the Plan will be paid by Abbott. Any notice required to be given to, or any document required to be filed with the Committee, will be properly given or filed if mailed or delivered in writing to the Secretary of Abbott.

8-8. RELIANCE UPON ADVICE. The Board of Directors and the Committee may rely upon any information or advice furnished to it by any Officer of Abbott or by Abbott's independent auditors, or other consultants, and shall be fully protected in relying upon such information or advice. No member of the Board of Directors or the Committee shall be liable for any act or failure to act on their part, excepting only any acts done or

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omitted to be done in bad faith, nor shall they be liable for any act or failure to act of any other member.

SECTION 9 AMENDMENT, TERMINATION AND CHANGE OF CONDITIONS RELATING TO PAYMENTS

The Plan will be effective from its effective date until terminated by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors reserves the right to amend the Plan from time to time and to terminate the Plan at any time. No such amendment or any termination of the Plan shall reduce any fixed or contingent obligations which shall have arisen under the Plan prior to the date of such amendment or termination.

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EXHIBIT A

IRREVOCABLE GRANTOR TRUST AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made this _____ day of _____, ___, by and between ______ of _____, Illinois (the "grantor"), and The Northern Trust Company located at Chicago, Illinois, as trustee (the "trustee"),

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, the grantor desires to establish and maintain a trust to hold certain benefits received by the grantor under the Abbott Laboratories 401(k) Supplemental Plan, as it may be amended from time to time;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED as follows:

ARTICLE I INTRODUCTION

I-1. NAME. This agreement and the trust hereby evidenced (the "trust") may be referred to as the "______ 19___ Grantor Trust".

I-2. THE TRUST FUND The "trust fund" as at any date means all property then held by the trustee under this agreement.

I-3. STATUS OF THE TRUST. The trust shall be irrevocable. The trust is intended to constitute a grantor trust under Sections 671-678 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and shall be construed accordingly.

I-4. THE ADMINISTRATOR. Abbott Laboratories ("Abbott") shall act as the "administrator" of the trust, and as such shall have certain powers, rights and duties under this agreement as described below. Abbott will certify to the trustee from time to time the person or persons authorized to act on behalf of Abbott as the administrator. The trustee may rely on the latest certificate received without further inquiry or verification.

I-5. ACCEPTANCE. The trustee accepts the duties and obligations of the "trustee" hereunder, agrees to accept funds delivered to it by the grantor or the administrator, and agrees to hold such funds (and any proceeds from the investment of such funds) in trust in accordance with this agreement.

ARTICLE II DISTRIBUTION OF THE TRUST FUND

II-1. DEFERRED ACCOUNT. The administrator shall maintain a "deferred account" under the trust. As of the end of each calendar year, the administrator shall charge the deferred account with all distributions made from such account during that year; and credit such account with income and realized gains and charge such account with expenses and realized losses for the year.

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II-2. DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE DEFERRED ACCOUNT PRIOR TO THE GRANTOR'S DEATH. Principal and accumulated income credited to the deferred account shall not be distributed from the trust prior to the grantor's retirement or other termination of employment with Abbott or a subsidiary of Abbott (the grantor's "settlement date"); provided that, each year the administrator may direct the trustee to distribute to the grantor a portion of the income of the deferred account for that year, with the balance of such income to be accumulated in that account. The administrator shall inform the trustee of the grantor's settlement date. Thereafter, the trustee shall distribute the amounts from time to time credited to the deferred account to the grantor, if then living, either in a lump-sum payable as soon as practicable following the settlement date, or in a series of annual installments, with the amount of each installment computed by one of the following methods:

- (a) The amount of each installment shall be equal to the sum of: (i) the amount credited to the deferred account as of the end of the year in which the grantor's settlement date occurs, divided by the number of years over which installments are to be distributed; plus (ii) the net earnings credited to the deferred account for the preceding year (excluding the year in which the grantor's settlement date occurs).
- (b) The amount of each installment shall be determined by dividing the amount credited to the deferred account as of the end of the preceding year by the difference between (i) the total number of years over which installments are to be distributed, and (ii) the number of annual installment distributions previously made from the deferred account.
- (c) Each installment (after the first installment) shall be approximately equal, with the amount comprised of the sum of: (i) the amount of the first installment, plus interest thereon at the rate determined under the Abbott Laboratories 401(k) Supplemental Plan, compounded annually; and (ii) the net earnings credited to the deferred account for the preceding year.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the final installment distribution made to the

grantor under this paragraph II-3 shall equal the total principal and accumulated income then held in the trust fund. The grantor, by writing filed with the trustee and the administrator on or before the end of the calendar year in which the grantor's settlement date occurs, may select either the lump-sum or an installment payment method and, if an installment method is selected, may select both the period (which may not be less than ten years from the end of the calendar year in which the grantor's settlement date occurred) over which the installment distributions are to be made and the method of computing the amount of each installment. In the absence of such a written direction by the grantor, installment distributions shall be made over a period of ten years, and the amount of each installment shall be computed by using the method described in subparagraph (a) next above. Installment distributions under this Paragraph II-2 shall be made as of January 1 of each year, beginning with the calendar year following the year in which the grantor's settlement date occurs. The administrator shall inform the trustee of the amount of each

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installment distribution under this paragraph II-2, and the trustee shall be fully protected in relying on such information received from the administrator.

DISTRIBUTIONS AFTER THE GRANTOR'S DEATH. The grantor, from II-3. time to time may name any person or persons (who may be named contingently or successively and who may be natural persons or fiduciaries) to whom the principal of the trust fund and all accrued or undistributed income thereof shall be distributed in a lump sum or, if the beneficiary is the grantor's spouse (or a trust for which the grantor's spouse is the sole income beneficiary), in installments, as directed by the grantor, upon the grantor's death. If the grantor directs an installment method of distribution to the spouse as beneficiary, any amounts remaining at the death of the spouse beneficiary shall be distributed in a lump sum to the executor or administrator of the spouse beneficiary's estate. If the grantor directs an installment method of distribution to a trust for which the grantor's spouse is the sole income beneficiary, any amounts remaining at the death of the spouse shall be distributed in a lump sum to such trust. Despite the foregoing, if (i) the beneficiary is a trust for which the grantor's spouse is the sole income beneficiary, (ii) payments are being made pursuant to this paragraph II-3 other than in a lump sum and (iii) income earned by the trust fund for the year exceeds the amount of the annual installment payment, then such trust may elect to withdraw such excess income by written notice to the trustee. Each designation shall revoke all prior designations, shall be in writing and shall be effective only when filed by the grantor with the administrator during the grantor's lifetime. If the grantor fails to direct a method of distribution, the distribution shall be made in a lump sum. If the grantor fails to designate a beneficiary as provided above, then on the grantor's death, the trustee shall distribute the balance of the trust fund in a lump sum to the executor or administrator of the grantor's estate.

II-4. FACILITY OF PAYMENT. When a person entitled to a distribution hereunder is under legal disability, or, in the trustee's opinion, is in any way incapacitated so as to be unable to manage his or her financial affairs, the trustee may make such distribution to such person's legal representative, or to a relative or friend of such person for such person's benefit. Any distribution made in accordance with the preceding sentence shall be a full and complete discharge of any liability for such distribution hereunder.

II-5. PERPETUITIES. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this agreement, on the day next preceding the end of 21 years after the death of the last to die of the grantor and the grantor's descendants living on the date of this instrument, the trustee shall immediately distribute any remaining balance in the trust to the beneficiaries then entitled to distributions hereunder.

ARTICLE III MANAGEMENT OF THE TRUST FUND

III-1. GENERAL POWERS. The trustee shall, with respect to the trust fund, have the following powers, rights and duties in addition to those provided elsewhere in this agreement or by law:

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- (a) Subject to the limitations of subparagraph (b) next below, to sell, contract to sell, purchase, grant or exercise options to purchase, and otherwise deal with all assets of the trust fund, in such way, for such considerations, and on such terms and conditions as the trustee decides.
- (b) To retain in cash such amounts as the trustee considers advisable; and to invest and reinvest the balance of the trust

fund, without distinction between principal and income, in obligations of the United States Government and its agencies or which are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government or in any mutual fund, common trust fund or collective investment fund which invests solely in such obligations; and any such investment made or retained by the trustee in good faith shall be proper despite any resulting risk or lack of diversification or marketability.

- (c) To deposit cash in any depositary (including the banking department of the bank acting as trustee) without liability for interest, and to invest cash in savings accounts or time certificates of deposit bearing a reasonable rate of interest in any such depositary.
- (d) To invest, subject to the limitations of subparagraph (b) above, in any common or commingled trust fund or funds maintained or administered by the trustee solely for the investment of trust funds.
- (e) To borrow from anyone, with the administrator's approval, such sum or sums from time to time as the trustee considers desirable to carry out this trust, and to mortgage or pledge all or part of the trust fund as security.
- (f) To retain any funds or property subject to any dispute without liability for interest and to decline to make payment or delivery thereof until final adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction or until an appropriate release is obtained.
- (g) To begin, maintain or defend any litigation necessary in connection with the administration of this trust, except that the trustee shall not be obliged or required to do so unless indemnified to the trustee's satisfaction.
- (h) To compromise, contest, settle or abandon claims or demands.
- (i) To give proxies to vote stocks and other voting securities, to join in or oppose (alone or jointly with others) voting trusts, mergers, consolidations, foreclosures, reorganizations, liquidations, or other changes in the financial structure of any corporation, and to exercise or sell stock subscription or conversion rights.
- (j) To hold securities or other property in the name of a nominee, in a depositary, or in any other way, with or without disclosing the trust relationship.

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- (k) To divide or distribute the trust fund in undivided interests or wholly or partly in kind.
- (1) To pay any tax imposed on or with respect to the trust; to defer making payment of any such tax if it is indemnified to its satisfaction in the premises; and to require before making any payment such release or other document from any lawful taxing authority and such indemnity from the intended payee as the trustee considers necessary for its protection.
- (m) To deal without restriction with the legal representative of the grantor's estate or the trustee or other legal representative of any trust created by the grantor or a trust or estate in which a beneficiary has an interest, even though the trustee, individually, shall be acting in such other capacity, without liability for any loss that may result.
- (n) To appoint or remove by written instrument any bank or corporation qualified to act as successor trustee, wherever located, as special trustee as to part or all of the trust fund, including property as to which the trustee does not act, and such special trustee, except as specifically limited or provided by this or the appointing instrument, shall have all of the rights, titles, powers, duties, discretions and immunities of the trustee, without liability for any action taken or omitted to be taken under this or the appointing instrument.
- (o) To appoint or remove by written instrument any bank, wherever

located, as custodian of part or all of the trust fund, and each such custodian shall have such rights, powers, duties and discretions as are delegated to it by the trustee.

- (p) To employ agents, attorneys, accountants or other persons, and to delegate to them such powers as the trustee considers desirable, and the trustee shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on the advice of persons so employed without court action.
- (q) To perform any and all other acts which in the trustee's judgment are appropriate for the proper management, investment and distribution of the trust fund.

III-2. PRINCIPAL AND INCOME. Any income earned on the trust fund which is not distributed as provided in Article II shall be accumulated and from time to time added to the principal of the trust. The grantor's interest in the trust shall include all assets or other property held by the trustee hereunder, including principal and accumulated income.

III-3. STATEMENTS. The trustee shall prepare and deliver monthly to the administrator and annually to the grantor, if then living, otherwise to each beneficiary then entitled to distributions under this agreement, a statement (or series of statements) setting forth (or which taken together set forth) all investments, receipts, disbursements

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and other transactions effected by the trustee during the reporting period; and showing the trust fund and the value thereof at the end of such period.

III-4. COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES. All reasonable costs, charges and expenses incurred in the administration of this trust, including compensation to the trustee, any compensation to agents, attorneys, accountants and other persons employed by the trustee, and expenses incurred in connection with the sale, investment and reinvestment of the trust fund shall be paid from the trust fund.

ARTICLE IV GENERAL PROVISIONS

IV-1. INTERESTS NOT TRANSFERABLE. The interests of the grantor or other persons entitled to distributions hereunder are not subject to their debts or other obligations and may not be voluntarily or involuntarily sold, transferred, alienated, assigned or encumbered.

IV-2. DISAGREEMENT AS TO ACTS. If there is a disagreement between the trustee and anyone as to any act or transaction reported in any accounting, the trustee shall have the right to a settlement of its account by any proper court.

IV-3. TRUSTEE'S OBLIGATIONS. No power, duty or responsibility is imposed on the trustee except as set forth in this agreement. The trustee is not obliged to determine whether funds delivered to or distributions from the trust are proper under the trust, or whether any tax is due or payable as a result of any such delivery or distribution. The trustee shall be protected in making any distribution from the trust as directed pursuant to Article II without inquiring as to whether the distributee is entitled thereto; and the trustee shall not be liable for any distribution is not proper under the terms of this agreement.

IV-4. GOOD FAITH ACTIONS. The trustee's exercise or non-exercise of its powers and discretions in good faith shall be conclusive on all persons. No one shall be obliged to see to the application of any money paid or property delivered to the trustee. The certificate of the trustee that it is acting according to this agreement will fully protect all persons dealing with the trustee.

IV-5. WAIVER OF NOTICE. Any notice required under this agreement may be waived by the person entitled to such notice.

IV-6. CONTROLLING LAW. The laws of the State of Illinois shall govern the interpretation and validity of the provisions of this agreement and all questions relating to the management, administration, investment and distribution of the trust hereby created.

IV-7. SUCCESSORS. This agreement: shall be binding on all persons entitled to distributions hereunder and their respective heirs and legal representatives, and on the trustee and its successors.

ARTICLE V CHANGES IN TRUSTEE

V-1. RESIGNATION OR REMOVAL OF TRUSTEE. The trustee may resign at any time by giving thirty days' advance written notice to the administrator and the grantor. The administrator may remove a trustee by written notice to the trustee and the grantor.

V-2. APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE. The administrator shall fill any vacancy in the office of trustee as soon as practicable by written notice to the successor trustee; and shall give prompt written notice thereof to the grantor, if then living, otherwise to each beneficiary then entitled to payments or distributions under this agreement. A successor trustee shall be a bank (as defined in Section 581 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended).

V-3. DUTIES OF RESIGNING OR REMOVED TRUSTEE AND OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE. A trustee that resigns or is removed shall furnish promptly to the administrator and the successor trustee an account of its administration of the trust from the date of its last account. Each successor trustee shall succeed to the title to the trust fund vested in its predecessor without the signing or filing of any instrument, but each predecessor trustee shall execute all documents and do all acts necessary to vest such title of record in the successor trustee. Each successor trustee shall have all the powers conferred by this agreement as if originally named trustee. No successor trustee shall be personally liable for any act or failure to act of a predecessor trustee. With the approval of the administrator, a successor trustee may accept the account furnished and the property delivered by a predecessor trustee without incurring any liability for so doing, and such acceptance will be complete discharge to the predecessor trustee.

ARTICLE VI AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

VI-1. AMENDMENT. With the consent of the administrator, this trust may be amended from time to time by the grantor, if then living, otherwise by a majority of the beneficiaries then entitled to payments or distributions hereunder, except as follows:

- (a) The duties and liabilities of the trustee cannot be changed substantially without its consent.
- (b) This trust may not be amended so as to make the trust revocable.

VI-2. TERMINATION. This trust shall not terminate, and all rights, titles, powers, duties, discretions and immunities imposed on or reserved to the trustee, the administrator, the grantor and the beneficiaries shall continue in effect, until all assets of the trust have been distributed by the trustee as provided in Article II.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the grantor and the trustee have executed this agreement as of the day and year first above written.

Grantor
The Northern Trust Company, as Trustee
Ву
Its

ABBOTT LABORATORIES SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION PLAN

(AS AMENDED THRU THE 18th AMENDMENT EFFECTIVE JUNE 20, 2003)

ABBOTT LABORATORIES SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION PLAN

SECTION 1 INTRODUCTION

1-1. On September 9, 1977, December 14, 1979 and February 10, 1984 the Board of Directors of Abbott Laboratories ("Abbott") adopted certain resolutions providing for payment of (i) pension benefits calculated under the Abbott Laboratories Annuity Retirement Plan ("Annuity Plan") in excess of those which may be paid under that plan under the limits imposed by Section 415 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and the Employee Retirement Income Security Act ("ERISA") and (ii) the additional pension benefits that would be payable under the Annuity Plan if deferred awards under the Abbott Laboratories Management Incentive Plan were included in "final earnings" as defined in the Annuity Plan.

The purpose of this ABBOTT LABORATORIES SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION PLAN (the "Supplemental Plan") is to clarify, restate and supersede the prior resolutions.

1-2. The Supplemental Plan shall apply to employees of Abbott and its subsidiaries and affiliates existing as of the date of adoption of the Supplemental Plan or thereafter created or acquired. (Abbott and each of such subsidiaries and affiliates are hereinafter referred to as an "employer" and collectively as the "employers").

1-3. All benefits provided under the Supplemental Plan shall be provided from the general assets of the employers and not from any trust fund or other designated asset. All participants in the Supplemental Plan shall be general creditors of the employers with no priority over other creditors.

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1-4. The Supplemental Plan shall be administered by the Abbott Laboratories Employee Benefit Board of Review appointed and acting under the Annuity Plan ("Board of Review"). Except as stated below, the Board of Review shall perform all powers and duties with respect to the Supplemental Plan, including the power to direct payment of benefits, allocate costs among employers, adopt amendments and determine questions of interpretation. The Board of Directors of Abbott (the "Board of Directors") shall have the sole authority to terminate the Supplemental Plan.

SECTION 2 ERISA ANNUITY PLAN SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT

2-1. The benefits described in this Section 2 shall apply to all participants in the Annuity Plan who retire, or terminate with a vested pension under that plan, on or after September 9, 1977.

2-2. Each Annuity Plan participant whose retirement or vested pension under that plan would otherwise be limited by Section 415, Internal Revenue Code, shall receive a supplemental pension under this Supplemental Plan in an amount, which, when added to his or her Annuity Plan pension, will equal the amount the participant would be entitled to under the Annuity Plan as in effect from time to time, based on the particular option selected by the participant, without regard to the limitations imposed by Section 415, Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION 3 1986 TAX REFORM ACT SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT

3-1. The benefits described in this Section 3 shall apply to all participants in the Annuity Plan who retire, or terminate with a vested pension under that plan, after December 31, 1988.

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3-2. Each Annuity Plan participant shall receive a supplemental pension under this Supplemental Plan in an amount determined as follows:

(a) The supplemental pension shall be the difference, if any, between:

- (i) the monthly benefit payable under the Annuity Plan plus any supplement provided by Section 2; and
- (ii) the monthly benefit which would have been payable under the Annuity Plan (without regard to the limits imposed by Section 415, Internal Revenue Code) if the participant's "final earnings", as defined in the Annuity Plan, had included compensation in excess of the limits imposed by Section 401(a)(17), Internal Revenue Code, and any "pre-tax contributions" made by the participant under the Abbott Laboratories Supplemental 401(k) Plan.

SECTION 4

DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN ANNUITY PLAN SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT

4-1. The benefits described in this Section 4 shall apply to all participants in the Annuity Plan who retire, or terminate with a vested pension, under that plan, on or after January 1, 2002 and who made a Deferral Election under the Abbott Laboratories Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Deferred Compensation Plan") with respect to any calendar month during the one hundred twenty consecutive calendar months immediately preceding retirement or termination of employment.

4-2. Each Annuity Plan participant shall receive a supplemental pension under this Supplemental Plan in an amount determined as follows:

- (a) The supplemental pension shall be the difference, if any, between:
 - (i) the monthly benefit payable under the Annuity Plan plus any supplement provided by Section 2 and Section 3; and

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(ii) the monthly benefit which would have been payable under the Annuity Plan (without regard to the limits imposed by Section 415, Internal Revenue Code) if the participant's "base earnings", as defined in the Annuity Plan, included deferrals made under the Deferred Compensation Plan and any compensation in excess of the limits imposed by Section 401(a)(17), Internal Revenue Code.

SECTION 5 DEFERRED MIP ANNUITY PLAN SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT

5-1. The benefits described in this Section 5 shall apply to all participants in the Annuity Plan who retire, or terminate with a vested pension, under that plan, on or after December 14, 1979 and who were awarded Management Incentive Plan awards for any calendar year during the ten consecutive calendar years ending with the year of retirement or termination of employment.

5-2. Each Annuity Plan participant shall receive a supplemental pension under this Supplemental Plan in an amount determined as follows:

- (a) The supplemental pension shall be the difference, if any, between:
 - the monthly benefit payable under the Annuity Plan plus any supplement provided by Section 2, Section 3, and Section 4; and
 - (ii) the monthly benefit which would have been payable under the Annuity Plan (without regard to the limits imposed by Section 415, Internal Revenue Code) if the participant's "final earnings", as defined in the Annuity Plan, were one-sixtieth of the sum of:
 - (A) the participant's total "basic earnings" (excluding any payments under the Management Incentive Plan or any Division Incentive Plan) received in the sixty consecutive calendar months for which his basic earnings (excluding any payments under the Management Incentive Plan or any Division Incentive Plan) were highest within the last one hundred twenty consecutive calendar months immediately preceding his retirement or termination of employment; and

- (B) the amount of the participant's total awards under the Management Incentive Plan and any Division Incentive Plan (whether paid immediately or deferred) made for the five consecutive calendar years during the ten consecutive calendar years ending with the year of retirement or termination for which such amount is the greatest and (for participants granted Management Incentive Plan awards for less than five consecutive calendar years during such ten year period) which include all Management Incentive Plan awards granted for consecutive calendar years within such ten year period.
- (b) That portion of any Management Incentive Plan award which the Compensation Committee has determined shall be excluded from the participant's "basic earnings" shall be excluded from the calculation of "final earnings" for purposes of this Section 5-2. "Final earnings" for purposes of this subsection 5-2 shall include any compensation in excess of the limits imposed by Section 401(a)(17), Internal Revenue Code.
- (c) In the event the period described in subsection 5-2(a)(ii)(B) is the final five calendar years of employment and a Management Incentive Plan award is made to the participant subsequent to retirement for the participant's final calendar year of employment, the supplemental pension shall be adjusted by adding such new award and subtracting a portion of the earliest Management Incentive Plan award included in the calculation, from the amount determined under subsection 5-2(a)(ii)(B). The portion subtracted shall be equal to that portion of the participant's final calendar year of employment during which the participant was employed by Abbott. If such adjustment results in a greater supplemental pension, the greater pension shall be paid beginning the first month following the date of such new award.

SECTION 6 CORPORATE OFFICER ANNUITY PLAN SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT

6-1. The benefits described in this Section 6 shall apply to all participants in the Annuity Plan who are corporate officers of Abbott as of September 30, 1993 or who become corporate officers thereafter, and who retire, or terminate with a vested pension under that plan on or after September 30, 1993. The term "corporate officer" for purposes of this Supplemental Plan shall mean an individual elected an officer of Abbott by its Board of Directors (or

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designated as such for purposes of this Section 6 by the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Abbott), but shall not include assistant officers.

6-2. Subject to the limitations and adjustments described below, each participant described in subsection 6-1 shall receive a monthly supplemental pension under this Supplemental Plan commencing on the participant's normal retirement date under the Annuity Plan and payable as a life annuity, equal to 6/10 of 1 percent (.006) of the participant's final earnings (as determined under subsection 5-2) for each of the first twenty years of the participant's benefit service (as defined in the Annuity Plan) occurring after the participant's attainment of age 35.

6-3. In no event shall the sum of (a) the participant's aggregate percentage of final earnings calculated under subsection 6-2 and (b) of the participant's aggregate percentage of final earnings calculated under subsection 5-1(b)(i) of the Annuity Plan, exceed the maximum aggregate percentage of final earnings allowed under subsection 5-1(b)(i) of the Annuity Plan (without regard to any limits imposed by the Internal Revenue Code), as in effect on the date of the participant's retirement or termination. In the event the limitation described in this subsection 6-3 would be exceeded for any participant, the participant's aggregate percentage calculated under subsection 6-2 shall be reduced until the limit is not exceeded.

6-4. Benefit service occurring between the date a participant ceases to be a corporate officer of Abbott and the date the participant again becomes a corporate officer of Abbott shall be disregarded in calculating the participant's aggregate percentage under subsection 6-2.

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6-5. Any supplemental pension otherwise due a participant under this Section 6 shall be reduced by the amount (if any) by which:

- (a) the sum of (i) the benefits due such participant under the Annuity Plan and this Supplemental Plan, plus (ii) the actuarially equivalent value of the employer-paid portion of all benefits due such participant under the primary retirement plans of all non-Abbott employers of such participant; exceeds
- (b) the maximum benefit that would be due under the Annuity Plan (without regard to the limits imposed by Section 415, Internal Revenue Code) based on the participant's final earnings (as determined under subsection 5-2), if the participant had accrued the maximum benefit service recognized by the Annuity Plan.

The term "primary retirement plan" shall mean any pension benefit plan as defined in ERISA, whether or not qualified under the Internal Revenue Code, which is determined by the Board of Review to be the primary pension plan of its sponsoring employer. The term "non-Abbott employer" shall mean any employer other than Abbott or a subsidiary or affiliate of Abbott. A retirement plan maintained by an employer prior to such employer's acquisition by Abbott shall be deemed a retirement plan maintained by a non-Abbott employer for purposes of this subsection 6-5.

6-6. Any supplemental pension due a participant under this Section 6 shall be actuarially adjusted as provided in the Annuity Plan to reflect the pension form selected by the participant and the participant's age at commencement of the pension, and shall be paid as provided in subsection 7-2.

SECTION 7 CORPORATE OFFICER ANNUITY PLAN SUPPLEMENTAL EARLY RETIREMENT BENEFIT

7-1. The benefits described in this Section 7 shall apply to all persons described in subsection 6-1.

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7-2. The supplemental pension due under Sections 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 to each participant described in subsection 7-1 shall be reduced as provided in subsections 5-3 and 5-6 of the Annuity Plan for each month by which its commencement date precedes the last day of the month in which the participant will attain age 60. No reduction will be made for the period between the last day of the months the participant will attain age 60 and age 62.

7-3. Each participant described in subsection 7-1 shall receive a monthly supplemental pension under this Supplemental Plan equal to any reduction made in such participant's Annuity Plan pension under subsections 5-3 or 5-6 of the Annuity Plan for the period between the last day of the months the participant will attain age 60 and age 62.

SECTION 8 MISCELLANEOUS

8-1. For purposes of this Supplemental Plan, the term "Management Incentive Plan" shall mean the Abbott Laboratories 1971 Management Incentive Plan, the Abbott Laboratories 1981 Management Incentive Plan and all successor plans to those plans.

8-2. The supplemental pension described in Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 shall be paid to the participant or his or her beneficiary based on the particular pension option elected by the participant, in the same manner, at the same time, for the same period and on the same terms and conditions as the pension payable to the participant or his beneficiary under the Annuity Plan. In the event a participant is paid his or her pension under the Annuity Plan in a lump sum, any supplemental pension due under Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 shall likewise be paid in a lump sum. Notwithstanding the foregoing provision of this subsection 8-2: (a) if the present value of the vested supplemental pensions described in Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of a participant who is actively

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employed by Abbott as a corporate officer exceeds \$100,000, then payment of such pensions shall be made to the participant under Section 9 below; and (b) if the monthly vested supplemental pensions, expressed as a straight life annuity, due a participant or his or her beneficiary under Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 do not exceed an aggregate of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00) as of the commencement date of the pension payable such participant or his or her beneficiary under the Annuity Plan, and payment of such supplemental pension has not previously been made under Section 9, the present value of such supplemental pensions shall be paid such participant or beneficiary in a lump-sum. 8-3. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Supplemental Plan, if employment of any participant with Abbott and its subsidiaries and affiliates should terminate for any reason within five (5) years after the date of a Change in Control:

- (a) The present value of any supplemental pension due the participant under Section 2 (whether or not then payable) shall be paid to the participant in a lump sum within thirty (30) days following such termination; and
- (b) The present value of any supplemental pension due the participant under Sections 3, 4 or 5 (whether or not then payable) shall be paid to the participant in a lump sum within thirty (30) days following such termination.

The supplemental pension described in paragraph (a) shall be computed using as the applicable limit under Section 415, Internal Revenue Code, such limit as is in effect on the termination date and based on the assumption that the participant will receive his or her Annuity Plan pension in the form of a straight life annuity with no ancillary benefits. The present values of the supplemental pensions described in paragraphs (a) and (b) shall be computed as of the date of payment by using an interest rate equal to the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation interest rate applicable to an immediate annuity, as in effect on the date of payment.

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8-4. For purposes of subsection 8-3, a "Change in Control" shall be deemed to have occurred on the earliest of the following dates:

- (a) the date any Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of Abbott (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from Abbott or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of Abbott's then outstanding securities, excluding any Person who becomes such a Beneficial Owner in connection with a transaction described in clause (i) of paragraph (c) below; or
- (b) the date the following individuals cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the number of directors then serving: individuals who, on the date hereof, constitute the Board of Directors and any new director (other than a director whose initial assumption of office is in connection with an actual or threatened election contest, including but not limited to a consent solicitation, relating to the election of directors of Abbott) whose appointment or election by the Board of Directors or nomination for election by Abbott's shareholders was approved or recommended by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors then still in office who either were directors on the date hereof or whose appointment, election or nomination for election was previously so approved or recommended; or
- the date on which there is consummated a merger or consolidation of (C) Abbott or any direct or indirect subsidiary of Abbott with any other corporation or other entity, other than (i) a merger or consolidation (A) immediately following which the individuals who comprise the Board of Directors immediately prior thereto constitute at least a majority of the Board of Directors of Abbott, the entity surviving such merger or consolidation or, if Abbott or the entity surviving such merger or consolidation is then a subsidiary, the ultimate parent thereof and (B) which results in the voting securities of Abbott outstanding immediately prior to such merger or consolidation continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity or any parent thereof), in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of Abbott or any subsidiary of Abbott, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the securities of Abbott or such surviving entity or any parent thereof outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation, or (ii) a merger or consolidation effected to implement a recapitalization of Abbott (or similar transaction) in which no Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of Abbott (not including in the securities Beneficially Owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from Abbott or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of Abbott's then outstanding securities; or

(d) the date the shareholders of Abbott approve a plan of complete liquidation or dissolution of Abbott or there is consummated an agreement for the sale or disposition by Abbott of all or substantially all of Abbott's assets, other than a sale or disposition by Abbott of all or substantially all of Abbott's assets to an entity, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of which are owned by shareholders of Abbott, in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of Abbott or any subsidiary of Abbott, in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of Abbott immediately prior to such sale.

> Notwithstanding the foregoing, a "Change in Control" shall not be deemed to have occurred by virtue of the consummation of any transaction or series of integrated transactions immediately following which the record holders of the common stock of Abbott immediately prior to such transaction or series of transactions continue to have substantially the same proportionate ownership in an entity which owns all or substantially all of the assets of Abbott immediately following such transaction or series of transactions.

For purposes of this Supplemental Plan: "Affiliate" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under Section 12 of the Exchange Act; "Beneficial Owner" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act; "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time; and "Person" shall have the meaning given in Section 3(a)(9) of the Exchange Act, as modified and used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) thereof, except that such term shall not include (i) Abbott or any of its subsidiaries, (ii) a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of Abbott or any of its Affiliates, (iii) an underwriter temporarily holding securities pursuant to an offering of such securities, or (iv) a corporation owned, directly or indirectly, by the shareholders of Abbott in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of stock of Abbott.

8-5 POTENTIAL CHANGE IN CONTROL. A "Potential Change in Control" shall exist during any period in which the circumstances described in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) or (d), below, exist (provided, however, that a Potential Change in Control shall cease to exist not later than the occurrence of a Change in Control):

- (a) Abbott enters into an agreement, the consummation of which would result in the occurrence of a Change in Control, provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (a) shall cease to exist upon the expiration or other termination of all such agreements.
- (b) Any Person (without regard to the exclusions set forth in subsections (i) through (iv) of such definition) publicly announces an intention to take or to consider taking

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actions the consummation of which would constitute a Change in Control; provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (b) shall cease to exist upon the withdrawal of such intention, or upon a determination by the Board of Directors that there is no reasonable chance that such actions would be consummated.

- (c) Any Person becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of Abbott representing 10% or more of either the then outstanding shares of common stock of Abbott or the combined voting power of Abbott's then outstanding securities (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from Abbott or its Affiliates).
- (d) The Board of Directors adopts a resolution to the effect that, for purposes of this Agreement, a Potential Change in Control exists; provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (d) shall cease to exist upon a determination by the Board of Directors that the reasons that gave rise to the resolution providing for the existence of a Potential Change in Control have expired or no longer exist.

8-6. The provisions of subsections 8-3, 8-4, 8-5 and this subsection 8-6 may not be amended or deleted, nor superseded by any other provision of this Supplemental Plan, (i) during the pendency of a Potential Change in Control and (ii) during the period beginning on the date of a Change in Control and ending on the date five (5) years following such Change in Control.

8-7. All benefits due under this Supplemental Plan shall be paid by Abbott and Abbott shall be reimbursed for such payments by the employee's employer. In the event the employee is employed by more than one employer, each employer shall reimburse Abbott in proportion to the period of time the employee was employed by such employer, as determined by the Board of Review in its sole discretion.

8-8. The benefits under the Supplemental Plan are not in any way subject to the debts or other obligations of the persons entitled to benefits and may not be voluntarily or involuntarily sold, transferred or assigned.

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8-9 Nothing contained in this Supplemental Plan shall confer on any employee the right to be retained in the employ of Abbott or any of its subsidiaries or affiliates.

8-10. Upon adoption of this Supplemental Plan, the prior resolutions shall be deemed rescinded.

SECTION 9 ALTERNATE PAYMENT OF SUPPLEMENTAL PENSIONS

9-1. If, as of December 31, 1995 or any subsequent December 31, the present value of the supplemental pension described in Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 of a participant, who is actively employed by Abbott as a corporate officer, exceeds \$100,000, then payment of such present value shall be made, at the direction of the participant, by either of the following methods: (a) current payment in cash directly to the participant, or (b) current payment of a portion of such present value (determined as of that December 31) in cash for the participant directly to a Grantor Trust established by the participant, and current payment of the balance of such present value in cash directly to the participant, provided that the payment made directly to the participant shall approximate the aggregate federal, state and local individual income taxes attributable to the tax rates set forth in subsection 9-14).

9-2. If the present value of a participant's supplemental pension has been paid to the participant (including amounts paid to the participant's Grantor Trust) pursuant to subsection 9-1 (either as in effect prior to June 1, 1996 that applied to any participant with a supplemental pension with a present value in excess of \$100,000 or as currently in effect that requires the participant to have a supplemental pension with a present value in excess of \$100,000 and to be a corporate

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officer), then as of each subsequent December 31, such participant shall be entitled to a payment in an amount equal to: (i) the present value (as of that December 31) of the participant's supplemental pension described in Sections 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 less (ii) the current value (as of that December 31) of the payments previously made to the participant under subsections 9-1 and 9-2. Payments under this subsection 9-2 shall be made, at the direction of the participant, by either of the following methods: (a) current payment in cash directly to the participant, or (b) current payment of a portion of such amount in cash for the participant directly to the Grantor Trust established by the participant; and current payment of the balance of such amount in cash directly to the participant, provided that the payment made directly to the participant shall approximate the aggregate federal, state and local individual income taxes attributable to the amount paid pursuant to this subparagraph 9-2(b) (as determined pursuant to the tax rates set forth in subsection 9-14). No payments shall be made under this subsection 9-2 as of any December 31 after the calendar year in which the participant retires or otherwise terminates employment with Abbott.

9-3. Present values for the purposes of subsections 9-1, 9-2, 9-4 and 9-5 shall be determined using reasonable actuarial assumptions specified for this purpose by Abbott and consistently applied. The "current value" of the payments previously made to a participant under subsections 9-1 and 9-2 means the aggregate amount of such payments, with interest thereon (at the rate specified for this purpose by Abbott). For purposes of subsections 9-4 and 9-5, "Projected Taxes" with respect to any payment of supplemental pension benefits under subsections 9-1 or 9-2, shall mean the taxes which Abbott projects will be incurred by the participant on the income earned (i) on the payment (net of taxes) that is made pursuant to subsections 9-1 or 9-2, (ii) on the corresponding payment(s) for Projected Taxes that are made pursuant to subsection 9-4 and, if

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applicable, 9-5 and (iii) on the accumulated income earned on any of the payments covered by parts (i) and (ii) hereof, during the life of such participant's Grantor Trust (or during the period that such Grantor Trust would have been in existence if the participant had elected to receive all of the payments under subsections 9-1 and 9-2 in cash). In calculating such Projected Taxes, Abbott shall use the aggregate of the current federal, state and local tax rates specified by subsection 9-14.

9-4. Effective as of December 31, 1995, or any subsequent December 31, as a result of any payment made to a Qualified Participant for any calendar year pursuant to subsection 9-1 or 9-2, Abbott shall also make a corresponding payment to such Qualified Participant in the amount of the present value of the Projected Taxes. A "Qualified Participant" is either (i) a participant who as of December 31, 1995 was actively employed by Abbott and who had previously received, or as of such date was qualified to receive, a payment under subsection 9-1; or (ii) a participant who as of any subsequent December 31 qualifies to receive a payment pursuant to subsection 9-1. The payment for Projected Taxes under this subsection 9-4 shall be made to the Qualified Participant in the identical manner that the payment under subsection 9-1 or 9-2 was made. For example, (a) if the Qualified Participant elected to receive the payment under subsection 9-1 directly in cash, then Abbott shall also pay the present value of the Projected Taxes on such payment in cash directly to the Qualified Participant, and (b) if the Qualified Participant elected to receive the payment under subsection 9-1 into a Grantor Trust established by the Qualified Participant, then Abbott shall pay the present value of the Projected Taxes on such payment as follows: current payment of a portion of such present value (determined as of that December 31) in cash for such Qualified Participant directly to a Grantor Trust established by such participant, and current payment of the balance of such present value in cash directly to such Qualified Participant, provided that the payment made

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directly to such participant shall approximate the aggregate federal, state and local individual income taxes attributable to the amount paid pursuant to this subparagraph 9-4(b) (as determined pursuant to the tax rates set forth in subsection 9-14). No payments shall be made under this subsection 9-4 as of any December 31 after the calendar year in which the participant retires or otherwise terminates employment with Abbott.

In the event that Abbott has made any payment for projected Taxes 9-5. under subsection 9-4 in cash directly to the Qualified Participant and there is a subsequent increase in the tax rates for such Qualified Participant, Abbott shall make a further cash payment to such Qualified Participant in the amount of (a) the present value of the Projected Taxes on the payments that were made under subsections 9-1 and 9-2 in cash directly to such Qualified Participant using the actual tax rates for previous years and the new tax rates (determined in accordance with subsection 9-14) for the current and subsequent years, less (b) the amount that would have been in the Qualified Participant's Tax Payment Account with respect to the payments made under subsections 9-1 and 9-2 in cash directly to the Participant, if such payments had instead been made to the Qualified Participant's Grantor Trust. Such amount shall be paid by Abbott directly to the Qualified Participant in cash. In the event that Abbott has made any payment for Projected Taxes under subsection 9-4 to the Qualified Participant's Grantor Trust, then Abbott shall as of December 31 of each year, make a further payment to the Qualified Participant in the amount of (a) the present value (as of that December 31) of the Projected Taxes on the payments that were made under subsections 9-1 and 9-2 into the Qualified Participant's Grantor Trust less (b) the balance of such Qualified Participant's Tax Payment Account (as described in subsection 9-8). Such payment shall be paid by Abbott as follows: the current payment of a portion of such amount in cash directly to the Qualified

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Participant's Grantor Trust and the current payment of the balance of such amount in cash directly to such Qualified Participant; provided, that the payments made directly to such Qualified Participant shall approximate the aggregate federal, state and local individual income taxes attributable to the amount paid pursuant to this subsection 9-5. No payments shall be made under this subsection 9-5 for any year following the participant's death. In the event that the calculation required by this subsection 9-5 for a Grantor Trust demonstrates that there has been an overpayment of projected taxes, such overpayment shall be held within the Grantor Trust in an Excess Tax Account and may be used by Abbott as a credit against any payments due hereunder or as specified in subsection 9-12.

9-6. For each Qualified Participant whose Grantor Trust has received a payment pursuant to subsection 9-4, Abbott, as the administrator of such Grantor Trust, shall direct the trustee to distribute to the participant from the income of such Grantor Trust, a sum of money sufficient to pay the taxes on trust earnings for such year. The taxes shall be calculated by multiplying the income of the Grantor Trust by the aggregate of the federal, state, and local tax rates (determined in accordance with subsection 9-14).

9-7. A participant shall be deemed to have irrevocably waived and shall be foreclosed from any right to receive any supplemental pension benefits on that portion of the supplemental pension that the participant elects to be paid in cash under subsection 9-1 or 9-2. A participant, who has elected to receive a payment under subsection 9-1 or 9-2 to a Grantor Trust, must establish such trust in a form which Abbott determines to be substantially similar to the trust attached to this Supplemental Plan as Exhibit A. If a participant fails to make an election under subsection 9-1 or 9-2, or if a participant makes an election under subsection 9-1 or 9-2 to receive payment in a Grantor Trust but fails to establish a Grantor Trust, then payment shall be made in cash directly to the

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participant. Each payment required under subsections 9-1, 9-2, 9-4 and 9-5 shall be made as soon as practicable after the amount thereof can be ascertained by Abbott, but in no event later than the last day of the calendar year following the December 31 as of which such payment becomes due.

9-8. Abbott will establish and maintain a separate Supplemental Pension Account in the name of each participant, a separate After-Tax Supplemental Pension Account in the name of each participant, and a separate Tax Payment Account in the name of each participant. The Supplemental Pension Account shall reflect any amounts: (i) paid to a participant (including amounts paid to a participant's Grantor Trust) pursuant to subsections 9-1 and 9-2; (ii) credited to such Account pursuant to subsection 9-9; and (iii) disbursed to a participant for supplemental pension benefits (or which would have been disbursed to a participant if the participant had not elected to receive a cash disbursement pursuant to subsections 9-1 and 9-2). The After-Tax Supplemental Pension Account shall also reflect such amounts but shall be maintained on an after-tax basis. The Tax Payment Account shall reflect any amounts (i) paid to a Qualified Participant (net of taxes) pursuant to subsections 9-4 and 9-5 and (ii) disbursed to a participant for the payment of taxes pursuant to subsection 9-6. The accounts established pursuant to this subsection 9-8 are for the convenience of the administration of the Plan and no trust relationship with respect to such accounts is intended or should be implied.

9-9. As of the end of each calendar year, a participant's Supplemental Pension Account shall be credited with interest calculated at a reasonable rate of interest specified for this purpose by Abbott and consistently applied. Any amount so credited shall be referred to as a participant's "Interest Accrual". The calculation of the Interest Accrual shall be based on the balance of the payments made pursuant to subsections 9-1 and 9-2 and any Interest Accrual thereon from previous

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years. As of the end of each calendar year a participant's After-Tax Supplemental Pension Account shall be credited with interest which shall be referred to as the After-Tax Interest Accrual. The "After-Tax Interest Accrual" shall be an amount equal to (a) the Interest Accrual credit to the participant's Supplemental Pension Account for such year less (b) the product of (i) the amount of such Interest Accrual multiplied by (ii) the aggregate of the federal, state and local income tax rates (determined in accordance with subsection 9-14). The Excess Interest Account shall be the cumulative amount, if any, by which the net income earned by the Grantor Trust on the payments made pursuant to Sections 9-1, 9-2, 9-4, 9-5 and 9-10 (and interest earned thereon) for all years that the Grantor Trust has been in existence exceeds the After-Tax Interest Accrual for such years.

9-10. In addition to any payment made to a participant for any calendar year pursuant to subsections 9-1, 9-2, 9-4 and 9-5, Abbott shall also make a payment to a participant's Grantor Trust (a "Guaranteed Rate Payment"), for any year in which the net income of such trust does not equal or exceed the participant's After-Tax Interest Accrual for that year. The Guaranteed Rate Payment shall equal the difference between the participant's After-Tax Interest

Accrual and such net income of the participant's Grantor Trust for the year, and shall be paid within 180 days of the end of that year. Any funds in a participant's Excess Interest Account may be used by Abbott as a credit against any Guaranteed Rate Payment due to the participant under this subsection 9-10 or as specified in subsection 9-12. No payments shall be made under this subsection 9-10 for any year following the year of the participant's death.

9-11. If at any time after a participant's retirement or other termination of employment with Abbott, there is no longer a balance in his or her Grantor Trust, then such participant (or his or her surviving spouse if such spouse is entitled to periodic payments from the Grantor Trust) shall be

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entitled to a "Continuation Payment" under this subsection 9-11. The amount of the Continuation Payment shall be equal to the amount of the supplemental pension that would have been payable to the participant (or surviving spouse) had no payments been made to or for the participant's Grantor Trust under subsections 9-1 and 9-2. Continuation Payments shall be made monthly, beginning with the month in which there is no longer a sufficient balance in the participant's Grantor Trust and ending with the month of the participant's (or surviving spouse's) death. Payments under this subsection 9-11 shall be made by the employers (in such proportions as Abbott shall designate) directly from their general corporate assets. Appropriate adjustments to the Continuation Payments shall be made in the event distributions have been made from a participant's Grantor Trust for reasons other than benefit payments to the participant or surviving spouse.

9-12. To the extent that Abbott is obligated to make a payment to a participant under subsections 9-1, 9-2, 9-4, 9-5 or 9-10, Abbott shall have the right to offset such payment with any funds in the participant's Excess Interest Account or Excess Tax Account. In addition, any funds in a participant's Excess Tax Account may be used by Abbott as a credit against any future Guaranteed Rate Payment due to the participant under subsection 9-10.

9-13. For participants who are not Qualified Participants that received any payment pursuant to subsection 9-4, in addition to the payments provided under subsections 9-1 and 9-2, each participant shall also be entitled to a Tax Gross Up payment for each year there is a balance in his or her Supplemental Pension Account. The "Tax Gross Up" shall approximate: (a) the product of (i) the participant's After-Tax Interest Accrual for the year (calculated using the greater of the rate of return of the Grantor Trusts or the rate specified in subsection 9-9), multiplied by (ii) the aggregate of the federal, state and local tax rates (determined in accordance with subsection 9-14) plus (b) an

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amount equal to the product of (i) any payment made pursuant to this subsection 9-13, multiplied by (ii) the aggregate tax rate determined under subparagraph 9-13(a)(ii) above, such that the participant is fully compensated for taxes on payments made hereunder. Payment of the Tax Gross Up shall be made by the employers (in such proportions as Abbott shall designate) directly from their general corporate assets. The Tax Gross Up for a year shall be paid to the participant as soon as practicable after the amount of the Tax Gross Up can be ascertained by Abbott, but in no event later than the last day of the calendar year following the calendar year to which the Tax Gross Up relates. No payments shall be made under this subsection 9-13 for any year following the year of the participant's death.

9-14. For purposes of this Supplemental Plan, a participant's federal income tax rate shall be deemed to be the highest marginal rate of federal individual income tax in effect in the calendar year in which a calculation under this Supplemental Plan is to be made, and state and local tax rates shall be deemed to be the highest marginal rates of individual income tax in effect in the state and locality of the participant's residence in the calendar year for which such a calculation is to be made, net of any federal tax benefits.

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SUPPLEMENTAL BENEFIT GRANTOR TRUST

THIS AGREEMENT, made this _____ day of _____, 19 __, by and between _____, (the "grantor"), and The Northern Trust Company, located at Chicago, Illinois, as trustee (the "trustee"),

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, the grantor desires to establish and maintain a trust to hold certain benefits received by the grantor under the Abbott Laboratories Supplemental Pension Plan, as it may be amended from time to time.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED as follows:

ARTICLE I INTRODUCTION

I-1. NAME. This agreement and the trust hereby evidenced (the "trust") may be referred to as the "______ Supplemental Benefit Grantor Trust."

I-2. THE TRUST FUND. The "trust fund" as at any date means all property then held by the trustee under this agreement.

I-3. STATUS OF THE TRUST. The trust shall be irrevocable. The trust is intended to constitute a grantor trust under Sections 671-678 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and shall be construed accordingly.

I-4. THE ADMINISTRATOR. Abbott Laboratories ("Abbott") shall act as the "administrator" of the trust, and as such shall have certain powers, rights and duties under this agreement as described below. Abbott will certify to the trustee from time to time the person or persons authorized to act on behalf of Abbott as the administrator. The trustee may rely on the latest certificate received without further inquiry or verification.

I-5. ACCEPTANCE. The trustee accepts the duties and obligations of the "trustee" hereunder, agrees to accept funds delivered to it by the grantor or the administrator, and agrees to hold such funds (and any proceeds from the investment of such funds) in trust in accordance with this agreement.

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ARTICLE II DISTRIBUTION OF THE TRUST FUND

II-1. SUPPLEMENTAL PENSION ACCOUNT. The administrator shall maintain a "supplemental pension account" under the trust. As of the end of each calendar year, the administrator shall charge the account with all distributions made from the account during that year; and credit the account with its share of trust income and realized gains and charge the account with its share of trust expenses and realized losses for the year.

II-2. DISTRIBUTIONS PRIOR TO THE GRANTOR'S DEATH. Principal and accumulated income shall not be distributed from the trust prior to the grantor's retirement or other termination of employment with Abbott or a subsidiary of Abbott (the grantor's "settlement date"); provided that, each year the administrator may direct the trustee to distribute to the grantor a portion of the income of the trust fund for that year, with the balance of such income to be accumulated in the trust. The administrator shall inform the trustee of the grantor's settlement date. Thereafter, the trustee shall distribute the amounts from time to time credited to the supplemental pension account to the grantor, if then living, in the same manner, at the same time and over the same period as the pension payable to the grantor under Abbott Laboratories Annuity Retirement Plan.

DISTRIBUTIONS AFTER THE GRANTOR'S DEATH. The grantor, from time to TT-3. time may name any person or persons (who may be named contingently or successively and who may be natural persons or fiduciaries) to whom the principal of the trust fund and all accrued or undistributed income thereof shall be distributed upon the grantor's death. The grantor may direct that such amounts be distributed in a lump sum or, if the beneficiary is the grantor's spouse (or a trust [a "Trust"] for which the grantor's spouse is the sole income beneficiary), in the same manner, at the same time and over the same period as the pension payable to the grantor's surviving spouse under the Abbott Laboratories Annuity Retirement Plan. If the grantor directs the same method of distribution as the pension payable to the surviving spouse under the Abbott Laboratories Annuity Retirement Plan to the spouse as beneficiary, any amounts remaining at the death of the spouse beneficiary shall be distributed in a lump sum to the executor or administrator of the spouse beneficiary's estate. If the grantor directs the same method of distribution as the pension payable to the surviving spouse under the Abbott Laboratories Annuity Retirement Plan to a Trust for which the grantor's spouse is the sole income beneficiary, any amounts remaining at the death of the spouse shall be distributed in a lump sum to such Trust. Despite the foregoing, if (i) the beneficiary is a Trust for which the grantor's spouse is the sole income beneficiary, (ii) payments are being made pursuant to this paragraph II-3 other than in a lump sum and (iii) income earned by the trust fund for the year exceeds the amount of the annual installment payment, then such Trust may elect to withdraw such excess income by written

notice to the trustee. Each designation shall revoke all prior designations, shall be in writing and shall be effective only when filed by the grantor with the administrator during the grantor's lifetime. If the grantor fails to direct a method of distribution, the distribution shall be made in a lump sum. If the grantor fails to designate a beneficiary as provided above, then on the grantor's death, the trustee shall distribute the balance of the trust fund in a lump sum to the executor or administrator of the grantor's estate."

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II-4. FACILITY OF PAYMENT. When a person entitled to a distribution hereunder is under legal disability, or, in the trustee's opinion, is in any way incapacitated so as to be unable to manage his or her financial affairs, the trustee may make such distribution to such person's legal representative, or to a relative or friend of such person for such person's benefit. Any distribution made in accordance with the preceding sentence shall be a full and complete discharge of any liability for such distribution hereunder.

II-5. PERPETUITIES. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this agreement, on the day next preceding the end of 21 years after the death of the last to die of the grantor and the grantor's descendants living on the date of this instrument, the trustee shall immediately distribute any remaining balance in the trust to the beneficiaries then entitled to distributions hereunder.

ARTICLE III MANAGEMENT OF THE TRUST FUND

III-1. GENERAL POWERS. The trustee shall, with respect to the trust fund, have the following powers, rights and duties in addition to those provided elsewhere in this agreement or by law:

- (a) Subject to the limitations of subparagraph (b) next below, to sell, contract to sell, purchase, grant or exercise options to purchase, and otherwise deal with all assets of the trust fund, in such way, for such considerations, and on such terms and conditions as the trustee decides.
- (b) To invest and reinvest the trust fund, without distinction between principal and income, in obligations of the United States Government and its agencies or which are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government and in any mutual funds, common trust funds or collective investment funds which invest solely in such obligations, provided that to the extent practicable no more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) shall be invested in such mutual funds, common trust funds or collective investment funds at any time; and any such investment made or retained by the trustee in good faith shall be proper despite any resulting risk or lack of diversification or marketability.
- (c) To deposit cash in any depositary (including the banking department of the bank acting as trustee) without liability for interest, in amounts not in excess of those reasonably necessary to make distributions from the trust.
- (d) To borrow from anyone, with the administrator's approval, such sum or sum from time to time as the trustee considers desirable to carry out this trust, and to mortgage or pledge all or part of the trust fund as security.

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- (e) To retain any funds or property subject to any dispute without liability for interest and to decline to make payment or delivery thereof until final adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction or until an appropriate release is obtained.
- (f) To begin, maintain or defend any litigation necessary in connection with the administration of this trust, except that the trustee shall not be obliged or required to do so unless indemnified to the trustee's satisfaction.
- (g) To compromise, contest, settle or abandon claims or demands.
- (h) To give proxies to vote stocks and other voting securities, to join in or oppose (alone or jointly with others) voting trusts, mergers, consolidations, foreclosures, reorganizations, liquidations, or other changes in the financial structure of any corporation, and to exercise or sell stock subscription or conversion rights.

- (i) To hold securities or other property in the name of a nominee, in a depositary, or in any other way, with or without disclosing the trust relationship.
- (j) To divide or distribute the trust fund in undivided interests or wholly or partly in kind.
- (k) To pay any tax imposed on or with respect to the trust; to defer making payment of any such tax if it is indemnified to its satisfaction in the premises; and to require before making any payment such release or other document from any lawful taxing authority and such indemnity from the intended payee as the trustee considers necessary for its protection.
- (1) To deal without restriction with the legal representative of the grantor's estate or the trustee or other legal representative of any trust created by the grantor or a trust or estate in which a beneficiary has an interest, even though the trustee, individually, shall be acting in such other capacity, without liability for any loss that may result.
- (m) Upon the prior written consent of the administrator, to appoint or remove by written instrument any bank or corporation qualified to act as successor trustee, wherever located, as special trustee as to part or all of the trust fund, including property as to which the trustee does not act, and such special trustee, except as specifically limited or provided by this or the appointing instrument, shall have all of the rights, titles, powers, duties, discretions and immunities of the trustee, without liability for any action taken or omitted to be taken under this or the appointing instrument.
- (n) To appoint or remove by written instrument any bank, wherever located, as custodian of part or all of the trust fund, and each such custodian shall have such rights, powers, duties and discretions as are delegated to it by the trustee.

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- (o) To employ agents, attorneys, accountants or other persons, and to delegate to them such powers as the trustee considers desirable, and the trustee shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on the advice of persons so employed without court action.
- (p) To perform any and all other acts which in the trustee's judgment are appropriate for the proper management, investment and distribution of the trust fund.

III-2. PRINCIPAL AND INCOME. Any income earned on the trust fund which is not distributed as provided in Article II shall be accumulated and from time to time added to the principal of the trust. The grantor's interest in the trust shall include all assets or other property held by the trustee hereunder, including principal and accumulated income.

III-3. STATEMENTS. The trustee shall prepare and deliver monthly to the administrator and annually to the grantor, if then living, otherwise to each beneficiary then entitled to distributions under this agreement, a statement (or series of statements) setting forth (or which taken together set forth) all investments, receipts, disbursements and other transactions effected by the trustee during the reporting period; and showing the trust fund and the value thereof at the end of such period.

III-4. COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES. All reasonable costs, charges and expenses incurred in the administration of this trust, including compensation to the trustee, any compensation to agents, attorneys, accountants and other persons employed by the trustee, and expenses incurred in connection with the sale, investment and reinvestment of the trust fund shall be paid from the trust fund.

ARTICLE IV GENERAL PROVISIONS

IV-1. INTERESTS NOT TRANSFERABLE. The interests of the grantor or other persons entitled to distributions hereunder are not subject to their debts or other obligations and may not be voluntarily or involuntarily sold, transferred, alienated, assigned or encumbered.

IV-2. DISAGREEMENTS AS TO ACTS. If there is a disagreement between the trustee and anyone as to any act or transaction reported in any accounting, the trustee shall have the right to a settlement of its account by any court.

IV-3. TRUSTEE'S OBLIGATIONS. No power, duty or responsibility is imposed on the trustee except as set forth in this agreement. The trustee is not obliged to determine whether funds delivered to or distributions from the trust are proper under the trust, or whether any tax is due or payable as a result of any such delivery or distribution. The trustee shall be protected in making any distribution from the trust as directed pursuant to Article II without inquiring as to whether the distributee is

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entitled thereto; the trustee shall not be liable for any distribution made in good faith without written notice or knowledge that the distribution is not proper under the terms of this agreement; and the trustee shall not be liable for any action taken because of the specific direction of the administrator.

IV-4. GOOD FAITH ACTIONS. The trustee's exercise or non-exercise of its powers and discretions in good faith shall be conclusive on all persons. No one shall be obliged to see to the application of any money paid or property delivered to the trustee. The certificate of the trustee that it is acting according to this agreement will fully protect all persons dealing with the trustee.

IV-5. WAIVER OF NOTICE. Any notice required under this agreement may be waived by the person entitled to such notice.

IV-6. CONTROLLING LAW. The laws of the State of Illinois shall govern the interpretation and validity of the provisions of this agreement and all questions relating to the management, administration, investment and distribution of the trust hereby created.

IV-7. SUCCESSORS. This agreement shall be binding on all persons entitled to distributions hereunder and their respective heirs and legal representatives, and on the trustee and its successors.

ARTICLE V CHANGES IN TRUSTEE

V-1. RESIGNATION OR REMOVAL OF TRUSTEE. The trustee may resign at any time by giving thirty days' advance notice to the administrator and the grantor. The administrator may remove a trustee by written notice to the trustee and the grantor.

V-2. APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE. The administrator shall fill any vacancy in the office of trustee as soon as practicable by written notice to the successor trustee; and shall give prompt written notice thereof to the grantor, if then living, otherwise to each beneficiary then entitled to payments or distributions under this agreement. A successor trustee shall be a bank (as defined in Section 581 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended).

V-3. DUTIES OF RESIGNING OR REMOVED TRUSTEE AND OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE. A trustee that resigns or is removed shall furnish promptly to the administrator and the successor trustee an account of its administration of the trust from the date of its last account. Each successor trustee shall succeed to the title to the trust fund vested in its predecessor without the signing or filing of any instrument, but each predecessor trustee shall execute all documents and do all acts necessary to vest such title of record in the successor trustee. Each successor trustee shall have all the powers conferred by this agreement as if originally named trustee. No successor trustee shall be personally liable for any act or failure to act of a predecessor trustee. With the approval of the administrator, a successor trustee may accept the account furnished and the property delivered by a predecessor trustee without incurring any liability for so doing, and such acceptance will be complete discharge to the predecessor trustee.

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ARTICLE VI AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

VI-1. AMENDMENT. With the consent of the administrator, this trust may be amended from time to time by the grantor, if then living, otherwise by a majority of the beneficiaries then entitled to payments or distributions hereunder, except as follows:

- (a) The duties and liabilities of the trustee cannot be changed substantially without its consent.
- (b) This trust may not be amended so as to make the trust revocable.

VI-2. TERMINATION. This trust shall not terminate, and all rights, titles, powers, duties, discretions and immunities imposed on or reserved to the trustee, the administrator, the grantor and the beneficiaries shall continue in effect, until all assets of the trust have been distributed by the trustee as provided in Article II.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the grantor and the trustee have executed this agreement as of the day and year first above written.

Grantor

The Northern Trust Company, as Trustee

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1986 ABBOTT LABORATORIES MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN (AS AMENDED AND RESTATED ON JUNE 20, 2003)

SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1 BACKGROUND AND PURPOSES. This 1986 ABBOTT LABORATORIES MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN (the "Plan") is a successor Plan to the 1961, 1971 and 1981 Management Incentive Plans (the "Predecessor Plans"). This Plan is being established by ABBOTT LABORATORIES ("Abbott") for the following purposes:

- (a) To provide greater incentive for participants in the Plan to attain and maintain the highest standards of managerial performance by rewarding them for services rendered with compensation, in addition to their base salaries, in proportion to the success of Abbott and to the participants' respective contribution to such success; and
- (b) To attract and retain in the employ of Abbott and its subsidiaries persons of outstanding competence.

1.2 EFFECTIVE DATE AND FISCAL YEAR. The Plan shall be effective as of January 1, 1986. The term "fiscal year," as used in this Plan, means the fiscal period from time to time employed by Abbott for the purpose of reporting earnings to shareholders.

1.3 ADMINISTRATION. The Plan will be administered by the Compensation Committee (the "Committee") appointed by the Board of Directors of Abbott (the "Board of Directors").

SECTION 2

ELIGIBILITY AND PARTICIPATION

2.1 PERSONS ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION. Participation in the Plan will be limited to those Officers and managerial employees of Abbott and its subsidiaries who, from time to time, shall be selected as participants by the Committee.

2.2 PARTICIPANTS. The term "participant," as used in the Plan, shall include both active participants and inactive participants.

2.3 ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS. For each fiscal year, there shall be a group of active participants which, except as provided below, shall not exceed forty-five

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persons and shall consist of those persons eligible for participation who shall have been designated as active participants and notified of that fact by the Committee at any time before or during the fiscal year. If, as a result of the growth of Abbott and its subsidiaries or changes in Abbott's organization, the Board of Directors deems it appropriate, the Board of Directors may, in its discretion, from time to time, increase the number of persons who may be designated as active participants for any fiscal year beyond the limit of forty-five persons provided for above. Selection as an active participant for any fiscal year shall not confer upon any person a right to be an active participant in any subsequent fiscal year, nor shall it confer upon him the right to receive any allocation under the Plan, other than amounts allocated to him by the Committee pursuant to the Plan, and all such allocations shall be subject to all of the terms and conditions of the Plan.

2.4 INACTIVE PARTICIPANTS. Inactive participants shall consist of those persons, including beneficiaries of deceased participants, if any, for whom an allocation shall have been made for a prior fiscal year under this Plan or a Predecessor Plan, the payment of which was deferred and remains unpaid. Status as an inactive participant shall not preclude a person from also being an active participant during any fiscal year.

SECTION 3

MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN FUND

3.1 BASE FOR MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN FUND. The "base earnings" for determining whether any portion of consolidated net income for any fiscal year may be allocated to the Management Incentive Plan Fund for such year shall be that amount of consolidated net income (as defined in subsection 3.2) which is equal to 15 percent of the Abbott Common Shareholder's Equity for such fiscal year. For this purpose, "Abbott Common Shareholders' Equity" for any fiscal year shall mean the Shareholders' Investment, as reflected in the consolidated balance sheet of Abbott as of the close of the next preceding fiscal year, plus or minus such adjustments thereof as may be determined by the Committee in order to reflect:

- The existence, issuance, sale, exchange, conversion or retirement of any securities, other than common shares, of Abbott (whether involving preferred stock, debt, convertible preferred stock or convertible debt securities); and
- (b) The issuance or retirement of any common shares or any changes in accounting methods or period adopted by Abbott since the close of such next preceding fiscal year.

Any adjustments to be made in accordance with (a) and (b) above in determining Abbott Common Shareholders' Equity for any fiscal year shall be determined by the Committee after consultation with Abbott's independent auditors, and

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any determination made by the Committee after such consultation shall be conclusive upon all persons.

3.2 CONSOLIDATED NET INCOME. For the purposes of this Plan, for any fiscal year or period, the "consolidated net income" shall be the consolidated net income of Abbott and its subsidiaries, prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, consistently applied, after provision for any interest accrued with respect to such period on account of deferred payments under this Plan or a Predecessor Plan, but before allowances for any amount to be allocated to the Management Incentive Plan Fund, both net of applicable income taxes, and after such adjustments for the following, as may be determined by the Committee after consultation with Abbott's independent auditors (all net of applicable income taxes):

- (a) The exclusion of any charges for amortization or goodwill arising out of acquisitions made for securities which, as a result of adjustments made in determining Abbott Common Shareholders' Equity pursuant to subsection 3.1, are treated as common share equivalents; and
- (b) The exclusion of any interest on debt securities which are convertible into common shares of Abbott and which shall have been considered as common share equivalents in determining Abbott Common Shareholders' Equity pursuant to subsection 3.1 hereof; and
- (c) The deduction of any dividend requirement for preferred shares which has not been considered as common share equivalents in determining Common Shareholders' Equity pursuant to subsection 3.1 hereof.

In the sole discretion of the Committee there shall also be excluded in the calculation of "consolidated net income" unusual gains and losses and the tax effects thereof, changes in generally accepted accounting principles and the tax effects thereof and extraordinary gains and losses.

3.3 DETERMINATION OF MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN AMOUNT FOR ANY YEAR. For each fiscal year that consolidated net income exceeds base earnings, and as soon as practicable after ascertainment of that fact, the Committee shall determine a tentative amount as the Management Incentive Plan Amount for that year, which tentative amount shall not exceed the lesser of:

> (a) an amount which, when treated as an expense currently deductible for income tax purposes in such year, would cause a 5 percent reduction in such year's excess of consolidated net income over the base earnings for such year; and

- (b) an amount which, when treated as an expense currently deductible for income tax purposes in such year, would cause a 1-1/2 percent reduction in such year's consolidated net income; and
- (c) an amount which equals 200 percent of the aggregate base salaries of all active participants for such year.

For purposes of the Plan "base salary" means the amount of salary paid to each active participant by Abbott and its subsidiaries for such year plus the includible portion (as described below) of any "Eligible Restricted Stock Award," as defined in Section 5-2 of the Abbott Laboratories Supplemental Pension Plan and does not include bonuses, other awards or any other compensation of any kind. The includible portion of a participant's Eligible Restricted Stock Award shall be the portion of the participant's Eligible Restricted Stock Award that is included in the participant's final earnings under the Abbott Laboratories Supplemental Pension Plan for such year. Following determination of such tentative Management Incentive Plan Amount, the Committee shall report in writing the amount of such tentative amount to the Board of Directors. At the meeting of the Board of Directors coincident with or next following receipt by it of the Committee's determination, the Board of Directors shall have the power to approve or reduce, but not to increase, the tentative amount reported to it by the Committee. The amount approved by the Board of Directors shall be the Management Incentive Plan Amount for such year.

THE MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE PLAN FUND. The Management Incentive 3.4 Plan Fund at any time shall consist of an amount equal to the aggregate of the Management Incentive Plan Amounts established pursuant to subsection 3.3 of this Plan for all fiscal years during which this Plan shall have been operative, plus the amounts established as Management Incentive Plan Amounts for any prior fiscal year pursuant to a Predecessor Plan, reduced by an amount equal to the aggregate of the amounts of awards which shall have been allocated to participants in accordance with this Plan or a Predecessor Plan, and awards, or any other compensation of any kind. Following determination of such tentative Management Incentive Plan Amount, the Committee shall report in writing the amount of such tentative amount to the Board of Directors. At the meeting of the Board of Directors coincident with or next following receipt by it of the Committee's determination, the Board of Directors shall have the power to approve or reduce, but not to increase, the tentative amount reported to it by the Committee. The amount approved by the Board of Directors shall be the Management Incentive Plan Amount for such year.

SECTION 4

ALLOCATION OF MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE FUND

4.1 ANNUAL ALLOCATION OF MANAGEMENT INCENTIVE FUND. As soon as practicable after the close of each fiscal year, part or all of the amount then in the Management Incentive Plan Fund (including the Management Incentive Plan

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Amount for such fiscal year) will be allocated by the Committee among active participants in the Plan for such fiscal year, having due regard for the purposes for which the Plan was established, in the following manner and order:

- (a) First, if the Chairman of the Board of Abbott shall be an active participant for such year, the members of the Committee, other than the Chairman of the Board, shall determine the amount, if any, to be allocated to the Chairman of the Board from such Fund for such year; and
- (b) Next, all or a part of the balance of such Fund may be allocated among the active participants (other than the Chairman of the Board) for such year, in such amounts and proportions as the Committee shall determine provided, however, that the amount allocated to any active participant for any year shall not exceed 200 percent of such participant's base salary for that year.

4.2 COMMITTEE'S DISCRETION IN ALLOCATIONS. In making any allocations in accordance with subsection 4.1 for any year, the discretion of the Committee shall be absolute, and no active participants for any year, by reason of their designation as such, shall be entitled to any particular amounts or any amount whatsoever.

PAYMENT OF AMOUNTS ALLOCATED TO PARTICIPANTS

5.1 TIME OF PAYMENT. For fiscal years beginning after December 31, 1988, a participant shall direct the payment or deferral of an allocation made to him pursuant to subsection 4.1 (subject to such conditions relating to the right of the participant to receive Payment of such amount as established by the Committee) by one or more of the following methods:

- (a) current payment in cash to the participant;
- (b) current payment of a portion of the allocation in cash for the participant directly to a "Grantor Trust" established by the participant, provided such trust is in a form which the Committee determines is substantially similar to the trust attached to this Plan as Exhibit A; and current payment of the balance of the allocation in cash directly to the participant, provided that the payment made directly to the participant shall approximate the aggregate federal, state and local individual income taxes (determined in accordance with subsection 6.7) attributable to the allocation paid pursuant to this paragraph (b); or
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- (c) deferral of payment until such time and in such manner as determined in accordance with subsection 5.11.

A participant shall make the preceding direction within 30 days of the date he is notified of his eligibility to participate in the Plan. A participant may change such direction with respect to any future allocation, provided that the change is made prior to the beginning of the fiscal year to which such allocation relates. Payment of a participant's allocation for the 1988 fiscal year and of any allocations deferred under the Plan prior to such year shall be made in accordance with the provisions of either or both of paragraphs (a) and (b) above. The Committee shall establish and maintain a Trust Account in accordance with subsection 5.2 and for purposes of subsection 5.4, shall treat such payment as if it were an allocation made for that fiscal year.

5.2 SEPARATE ACCOUNTS. The Committee will maintain two separate Accounts, a "Deferred Account" and a "Trust Account," in the name of each participant. The Deferred Account shall be comprised of any allocations the payment of which is deferred pursuant to subsection 5.1(c) and any adjustments made pursuant to subsection 5.3. The Trust Account shall be comprised of any allocations paid in cash to a participant (including amounts paid to a participant's Grantor Trust) pursuant to subsection 5.1(b) and any adjustments made pursuant to subsection 5.4.

5.3 ADJUSTMENT OF DEFERRED ACCOUNTS. As of the end of each fiscal year, the Committee shall adjust each participant's Deferred Account as follows:

- (a) FIRST, charge an amount equal to any payments made to the participant during that year pursuant to subsections 5.11 or 5.12;
- (b) NEXT, credit an amount equal to the allocation for that year that is deferred pursuant to subsection 5.1(c); and
- (c) FINALLY, credit an amount equal to the Interest Accrual earned for that year pursuant to subsection 5.5.

5.4 ADJUSTMENT OF TRUST ACCOUNTS. As of the end of each fiscal year, the Committee shall adjust each participant's Trust Account as follows:

(a) FIRST, charge an amount equal to the product of (i) any payments made to the participant during that year from the participant's Grantor Trust (other than distributions of trust earnings in excess of the Net Interest Accrual authorized by the administrator of the trust to provide for the Tax Gross Up under subsection 6.6); multiplied by (ii) a fraction, the numerator of which is the balance in the participant's Trust Account as of the end of the prior fiscal year and the denominator of which is the balance of the participant's

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Grantor Trust (as determined by the administrator of the trust) as of that same date;

- (b) NEXT, credit an amount equal to the allocation for that year that is paid to the Participant (including the amount paid to the participant's Grantor Trust) pursuant to subsection 5.1(b); and
- (c) FINALLY, credit an amount equal to the Interest Accrual earned for that Year pursuant to subsection 5.5.

5.5 INTEREST ACCRUALS ON ACCOUNTS. As of the end of each fiscal year, a participant's Deferred Account and Trust Account shall be credited with interest equal to: (a) the average of the prime rates of interest charged by the two largest banks located in the City of Chicago on loans made by them as of January 1 and the end of each month of the fiscal year; plus (b) two hundred twenty-five (225) basis points. Such interest shall be credited on the conditions established by the Committee, provided that any allocation of an award from the Management Incentive Plan Fund shall be considered to have been made and credited to a participant's Deferred Account and Trust Account as of the first day of the fiscal year in which such award is made regardless of the date upon which the Committee actually makes the determination to award such allocation.

5.6 GUARANTEED RATE PAYMENTS. In addition to any allocation made to a participant for any fiscal year pursuant to subsection 4.1 which is paid or deferred pursuant to subsection 5.1, Abbott shall also make a payment to a participant's Grantor Trust (a "Guaranteed Rate Payment") for any year in which the net earnings of such trust do not equal or exceed the participant's Net Interest Accrual for that year. A participant's "Net Interest Accrual" for a year is an amount equal to: (a) the Interest Accrual credited to the participant's Trust Account for that year; less (b) the product of (i) the amount of such Interest Accrual, multiplied by (ii) the aggregate of the federal, state and local individual income tax rates (determined in accordance with subsection 6.7). The Guaranteed Rate Payment shall equal the difference between the participant's Net Interest Accrual and the net earnings of the participant's Grantor Trust for the year, and shall be paid within 90 days of the end of the fiscal year.

5.7 DESIGNATION OF BENEFICIARIES. Subject to the conditions and limitations set forth below, each participant, and after a participant's death, each primary beneficiary designated by a participant in accordance with the provisions of this subsection 5.7, shall have the right from time to time to designate a primary beneficiary or beneficiaries and, successive or contingent beneficiary or beneficiaries to receive unpaid amounts from the participant's Deferred Account under the Plan and the Predecessor Plans. Beneficiaries may be a natural person or persons or a fiduciary, such as a trustee of a trust or the legal representative of an estate. Any such designation shall take effect upon the death of the participant or such beneficiary, as the case may be, or in the case of any fiduciary beneficiary, upon the termination of all of its duties (other than the duty to dispose of the right to receive amounts remaining to be paid under the Plan or

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a Predecessor Plan). The conditions and limitations relating to the designation of beneficiaries are as follows:

- (a) A nonfiduciary beneficiary shall have the right to designate a further beneficiary or beneficiaries only if the original participant or the next preceding primary beneficiary, as the case may be, shall have expressly so provided in writing; and
- (b) A fiduciary beneficiary shall designate as a further beneficiary or beneficiaries only those persons or other fiduciaries who are entitled to receive the amounts payable from the participant's account under the trust or estate of which it is a fiduciary.

Any beneficiary designation or grant of any power to any beneficiary under this subsection may be exercised only by an instrument in writing, executed by the person making the designation or granting such power and filed with the Secretary of Abbott during such person's lifetime or prior to the termination of a fiduciary's duties. If a deceased participant or a deceased nonfiduciary beneficiary who had the right to designate a beneficiary as provided above dies without having designated a further beneficiary, or if no beneficiary designated as provided above is living or qualified and acting, the Committee, in its discretion, may direct distribution of the amount remaining

- (i) any one or more or all of the next of kin (including the surviving spouse) of the participant or the deceased beneficiary, as the case may be, and in such proportions as the Committee determines; or
- (ii) the legal representative of the estate of the deceased participant or deceased beneficiary as the case may be.

5.8 STATUS OF BENEFICIARIES. Following a participant's death, the participant's beneficiary or beneficiaries will be considered and treated as an inactive participant for all purposes of this Plan.

5.9 NON-ASSIGNABILITY AND FACILITY OF PAYMENT. Amounts payable to participants and their beneficiaries under the Plan are not in any way subject to their debts and other obligations, and may not be voluntarily or involuntarily sold, transferred or assigned; provided that the preceding provisions of this section shall not be construed as restricting in any way a designation right granted to a beneficiary pursuant to the terms of subsection 5.7. When a participant or the beneficiary of a participant is under legal disability, or in the Committee's opinion is in any way incapacitated so as to be unable to manage his or her financial affairs, the Committee may

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direct that payments shall be made to the participant's or beneficiary's legal representative, or to a relative or friend of the participant or beneficiary for the benefit of the participant or beneficiary, or the Committee may direct the payment or distribution for the benefit of the participant or beneficiary in any manner that the Committee determines.

5.10 PAYER OF AMOUNTS ALLOCATED TO PARTICIPANTS. Any amount allocated to a participant in the Plan and any interest credited thereto will be paid by the employer (or such employer's successor) by whom the participant was employed during the fiscal year for which any amount was allocated, and for that purpose, if a participant shall have been employed by two or more employers during any fiscal year the amount allocated under this Plan for that year shall be an obligation of each of the respective employers in proportion to the respective amounts of base salary paid by each of them in that fiscal year.

5.11 MANNER OF PAYMENT. Subject to subsection 5.12, a participant shall elect the timing and manner of payment of his Deferred Account at the time of his deferral election under subsection 5.1. The participant may select a payment method from among alternative payment methods established by the Committee.

5.12 PAYMENTS UPON TERMINATION FOLLOWING CHANGE IN CONTROL. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Plan or the Predecessor Plans, or the provisions of any award made under this Plan or the Predecessor Plans: if the employment of any participant with Abbott and its subsidiaries should terminate for any reason within five (5) years after the date of a Change in Control, the aggregate unpaid balance of all awards previously made to such participant under this Plan and all Predecessor Plans, plus any unpaid interest credited thereon, shall be paid to the participant in a lump sum within thirty (30) days following the date of such termination.

5.13 CHANGE IN CONTROL. A "Change in Control" shall be deemed to have occurred on the earliest of the following dates:

- (a) the date any Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of Abbott (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from Abbott or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of Abbott's then outstanding securities, excluding any Person who becomes such a Beneficial Owner in connection with a transaction described in clause (i) of paragraph (c) below; or
- (b) the date the following individuals cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the number of directors then serving: individuals who, on the date hereof, constitute the Board of Directors and any new director (other than a director whose initial assumption of office is in connection

with an actual or threatened election contest, including but not limited to a consent solicitation, relating to the election of directors of Abbott) whose appointment or election by the Board of Directors or nomination for election by Abbott's shareholders was approved or recommended by a vote of at least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors then still in office who either were directors on the date hereof or whose appointment, election or nomination for election was previously so approved or recommended; or

- the date on which there is consummated a merger or (C) consolidation of Abbott or any direct or indirect subsidiary of Abbott with any other corporation or other entity, other than (i) a merger or consolidation (A) immediately following which the individuals who comprise the Board of Directors immediately prior thereto constitute at least a majority of the Board of Directors of Abbott, the entity surviving such merger or consolidation or, if Abbott or the entity surviving such merger or consolidation is then a subsidiary, the ultimate parent thereof and (B) which results in the voting securities of Abbott outstanding immediately prior to such merger or consolidation continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity or any parent thereof), in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of Abbott or any subsidiary of Abbott, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the securities of Abbott or such surviving entity or any parent thereof outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation, or (ii) a merger or consolidation effected to implement a recapitalization of Abbott (or similar transaction) in which no Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of Abbott (not including in the securities Beneficially Owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from Abbott or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of Abbott's then outstanding securities; or
- (d) the date the shareholders of Abbott approve a plan of complete liquidation or dissolution of Abbott or there is consummated an agreement for the sale or disposition by Abbott of all or substantially all of Abbott's assets, other than a sale or disposition by Abbott of all or substantially all of Abbott's assets to an entity, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of which are owned by shareholders of Abbott, in combination with

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the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of Abbott or any subsidiary of Abbott, in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of Abbott immediately prior to such sale.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a "Change in Control" shall not be deemed to have occurred by virtue of the consummation of any transaction or series of integrated transactions immediately following which the record holders of the common stock of Abbott immediately prior to such transaction or series of transactions continue to have substantially the same proportionate ownership in an entity which owns all or substantially all of the assets of Abbott immediately following such transaction or series of transactions.

For purposes of this Plan: "Affiliate" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under Section 12 of the Exchange Act; "Beneficial Owner" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act; "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time; and "Person" shall have the meaning given in Section 3(a)(9) of the Exchange Act, as modified and used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) thereof, except that such term shall not include (i) Abbott or any of its subsidiaries, (ii) a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of Abbott or any of its Affiliates, (iii) an underwriter temporarily holding securities pursuant to an offering of such securities, or (iv) a corporation owned, directly or indirectly, by the shareholders of Abbott in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of stock of Abbott.

5.14 POTENTIAL CHANGE IN CONTROL. A "Potential Change in Control" shall exist during any period in which the circumstances described in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) or (d), below, exist (provided, however, that a Potential Change in Control shall cease to exist not later than the occurrence of a Change in Control):

- (a) Abbott enters into an agreement, the consummation of which would result in the occurrence of a Change in Control, provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (a) shall cease to exist upon the expiration or other termination of all such agreements.
- (b) Any Person (without regard to the exclusions set forth in subsections (i) through (iv) of such definition) publicly

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announces an intention to take or to consider taking actions the consummation of which would constitute a Change in Control; provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (b) shall cease to exist upon the withdrawal of such intention, or upon a determination by the Board of Directors that there is no reasonable chance that such actions would be consummated.

- (c) Any Person becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of Abbott representing 10% or more of either the then outstanding shares of common stock of Abbott or the combined voting power of Abbott's then outstanding securities (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from Abbott or its Affiliates).
- (d) The Board of Directors adopts a resolution to the effect that, for purposes of this Agreement, a Potential Change in Control exists; provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (d) shall cease to exist upon a determination by the Board of Directors that the reasons that gave rise to the resolution providing for the existence of a Potential Change in Control have expired or no longer exist.

5.15 PROHIBITION AGAINST AMENDMENT. The provisions of subsections 5.12, 5.13, 5.14 and this subsection 5.15 may not be amended or deleted, nor superseded by any other provision of this Plan, (i) during the pendency of a Potential Change in Control and (ii) during the period beginning on the date of a Change in Control and ending on the date five (5) years following such Change in Control.

SECTION 6

MISCELLANEOUS

6.1 RULES. The Committee may establish such rules and regulations as it may consider necessary or desirable for the effective and efficient administration of the Plan.

6.2 MANNER OF ACTION BY COMMITTEE. A majority of the members of the Committee qualified to act on any particular question may act by meeting or by writing signed without meeting, and may execute any instrument or document required or delegate to one of its members authority to sign. The Committee from time to time may delegate the performance of certain ministerial functions in connection with the Plan, such as the keeping of records, to such person or persons as the Committee may select. Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Plan, the costs of administration of the Plan will be paid by Abbott. Any notice required to be given to, or any document

required to be filed with the Committee, will be properly given or filed if mailed or delivered in writing to the Secretary of Abbott.

6.3 RELIANCE UPON ADVICE. The Board of Directors and the Committee may rely upon any information or advice furnished to it by any Officer of Abbott or by Abbott's independent auditors, or other consultants, and shall be fully protected in relying upon such information or advice. No member of the Board of Directors or the Committee shall be liable for any act or failure to act on their part, excepting only any acts done or omitted to be done in bad faith, nor shall they be liable for any act or failure to act of any other member.

6.4 TAXES. Any employer shall be entitled, if necessary or desirable, to pay, or withhold the amount of any federal, state or local tax, attributable to any amounts payable by it under the Plan after giving the person entitled to receive such amount notice as far in advance as practicable, and may defer making payment of any amount with respect to which any such tax question may be pending unless and until indemnified to its satisfaction.

6.5 RIGHTS OF PARTICIPANTS. Employment rights of participants with Abbott and its subsidiaries shall not be enlarged or affected by reason of establishment of or inclusion as a participant in the Plan. Nothing contained in the Plan shall require Abbott or any subsidiary to segregate or earmark any assets, funds or property for the purpose of payment of any amounts which may have been deferred. The Deferred and Trust Accounts established pursuant to subsection 5.2 are for the convenience of the administration of the Plan and no trust relationship with respect to such Accounts is intended or should be implied. Participant's rights shall be limited to payment to them at the time or times and in such amounts as are contemplated by the Plan. Any decision made by the Board of Directors or the Committee, which is within the sole and uncontrolled discretion of either, shall be conclusive and binding upon the other and upon all other persons whomsoever.

TAX GROSS UP. In addition to the allocations provided under 6.6 subsection 4.1, each participant (or, if the participant is deceased, the beneficiary designated under the participant's Grantor Trust) shall be entitled to a Tax Gross Up payment for each year there is a balance in his or her Trust Account. The "Tax Gross Up" shall approximate: (a) the amount necessary to compensate the participant (or beneficiary) for the net increase in the participant's (or beneficiary's) federal, state and local income taxes as a result of the inclusion in his or her taxable income of the income of the participant's Grantor Trust and any Guaranteed Rate Payment for that year; less (b) any distribution to the participant (or beneficiary) of his or her Grantor Trust's net earnings for that year; plus (c) an amount necessary to compensate the participant (or beneficiary) for the net increase in the taxes described in (a) above as a result of the inclusion in his or her taxable income of any payment made pursuant to this subsection 6.6. Payment of the Tax Gross Up shall be made by the employers (in such proportions as Abbott shall designate) directly from their general corporate assets.

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6.7 INCOME TAX ASSUMPTIONS. For purposes of Sections 5 and 6, a participant's federal income tax rate shall be deemed to be the highest marginal rate of federal income individual tax in effect in the calendar year in which a calculation under those Sections is to be made, and state and local tax rates shall be deemed to be the highest marginal rates of individual income tax in effect in the state and locality of the participant's residence on the date such a calculation is made, net of any federal tax benefits.

6.8 PAYMENT OF PRIOR DEFERRALS. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Plan, the Committee, in its absolute discretion, may direct that all or a portion of the balance in a participant's Deferred Account be paid in accordance with the provisions of subsection 5.1(b). In such event, the Committee shall establish and maintain a Trust Account in accordance with subsection 5.2 and, for purposes of subsection 5.4, shall treat such payment as if it were an allocation made for that fiscal year.

SECTION 7

AMENDMENT, TERMINATION AND CHANGE OF CONDITIONS RELATING TO PAYMENTS 7.1 AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION. The Plan will be effective from its effective date until terminated by the Board of Directors. During the fifth year after the Plan's effective date and during every fifth year thereafter, the Committee may recommend to the Board of Directors whether the Plan should be amended or terminated. The Board of Directors reserves the right to amend the Plan from time to time and to terminate the Plan at any time, except that no such amendment or any termination of the Plan shall reduce any fixed or contingent obligations which shall have arisen under the Plan prior to the date of such amendment or termination, or change the terms and conditions of payment of any allocation theretofore made without the consent of the participant concerned.

7.2 CHANGE OF CONDITIONS RELATING TO PAYMENTS. Following the establishment by the Committee of any conditions relating to the payment of any amount allocated to a participant for any fiscal year and any interest credited thereon (including the time of payment or the time of commencement of payment and any period over which payment shall be made), neither the Committee nor the participant concerned, acting unilaterally, shall have the power to change the conditions originally established by the Committee. However, in order to effectuate the purposes of the Plan, any conditions initially established by the Committee may be changed thereafter by mutual agreement of the Committee and the participant concerned.

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EXHIBIT A

IRREVOCABLE GRANTOR TRUST AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT, made this _____ day of _____, 1991, by and between ______ of _____, Illinois (the "grantor"), and The Northern Trust Company located at Chicago, Illinois, as trustee (the "trustee"),

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, the grantor desires to establish and maintain a trust to hold certain benefits received by the grantor under the 1986 Abbott Laboratories Management Incentive Plan, as it may be amended from time to time;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS AGREED as follows:

ARTICLE I

INTRODUCTION

I-1 NAME. This agreement and the trust hereby evidenced (the "trust") may be referred to as the "______ 1991 Grantor Trust".

I-2 THE TRUST FUND. The "trust fund" as at any date means all property then held by the trustee under this agreement.

I-3 STATUS OF THE TRUST. The trust shall be irrevocable. The trust is intended to constitute a grantor trust under Sections 671-678 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, and shall be construed accordingly.

I-4 THE ADMINISTRATOR. Abbott Laboratories ("Abbott") shall act as the "administrator" of the trust, and as such shall have certain powers, rights and duties under this agreement as described below. Abbott will certify to the trustee from time to time the person or persons authorized to act on behalf of Abbott as the administrator. The trustee may rely on the latest certificate received without further inquiry or verification.

I-5 ACCEPTANCE. The trustee accepts the duties and obligations of the "trustee" hereunder, agrees to accept funds delivered to it by the grantor or the administrator, and agrees to hold such funds (and any proceeds from the investment of such funds) in trust in accordance with this agreement.

ARTICLE II

DISTRIBUTION OF THE TRUST FUND

II-1 SEPARATE ACCOUNTS. The administrator shall maintain two separate accounts under the trust, a "rollout account" and a "deferred account." Funds delivered to the trustee shall be allocated between the accounts by the trustee as directed by the administrator. As of the end of each calendar year, the administrator shall charge each account with all distributions made from such account during that year; and credit each account with its share of income and realized gains and charge each account with its share of expenses and realized losses for the year. The trustee shall not be required to make any separate investment of the trust fund for the accounts, and may administer and invest all funds delivered to it under the trust as one trust fund.

II-2 DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE ROLLOUT ACCOUNT PRIOR TO THE GRANTOR'S DEATH. The trustee shall distribute principal and accumulated income credited to the rollout account to the grantor, if then living, at such times and in such amounts as the administrator shall direct.

II-3 DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE DEFERRED ACCOUNT PRIOR TO THE GRANTOR'S DEATH. Principal and accumulated income credited to the deferred account shall not be distributed from the trust prior to the grantor's retirement or other termination of employment with Abbott or a subsidiary of Abbott (the grantor's "settlement date"); provided that, each year the administrator may direct the trustee to distribute to the grantor a portion of the income of the deferred account for that year, with the balance of such income to be accumulated in that account. The administrator shall inform the trustee of the grantor's settlement date. Thereafter, the trustee shall distribute the amounts from time to time credited to the deferred account to the grantor, if then living, in a series of annual installments, with the amount of each installment computed by one of the following methods:

- (a) The amount of each installment shall be equal to the sum of: (i) the amount credited to the deferred account as of the end of the year in which the grantor's settlement date occurs, divided by the number of years over which installments are to be distributed; plus (ii) the net earnings credited to the deferred account for the preceding year (excluding the year in which the grantor's settlement date occurs).
- (b) The amount of each installment shall be determined by dividing the amount credited to the deferred account as of the end of the preceding year by the difference between (i) the total number of years over which installments are to be distributed, and (ii) the number of annual installment distributions previously made from the deferred account.
- (c) Each installment (after the first installment) shall be approximately equal, with the amount comprised of the sum of: (i) the amount of the first installment, plus interest thereon at the rate determined under the 1986 Abbott Laboratories Management Incentive Plan, compounded annually; and (ii) the net earnings credited to the deferred account for the preceding year.
 - (i) the foregoing, the final installment distribution made to the grantor under this paragraph II-3 shall equal the total principal and accumulated income then held in the trust fund. The grantor, by writing filed with the trustee and the administrator on or before the end of the calendar year in which the grantor's settlement date occurs (or the end of the calendar year in which this trust is established, if the grantor's settlement date has already occurred), may select both the period (which may not be less than

ten years from the end of the calendar year in which the grantor's settlement date occurred) over which the installment distributions are to be made and the method of computing the amount of each installment. In the absence of such a written direction by the grantor, installment distributions shall be made over a period of ten years, and the amount of each installment shall be computed by using the method described in subparagraph (a) next above. Installment distributions under this Paragraph II-3 shall be made as of January 1 of each year, beginning with the calendar year following the year in which the grantor's settlement date occurs. The administrator shall inform the trustee of the amount of each installment distribution under this paragraph II-3, and the trustee shall be fully protected in relying on such information received from the administrator.

II-4. DISTRIBUTIONS FROM THE TRUST FUND AFTER THE GRANTOR'S DEATH. The grantor, from time to time may name any person or persons (who may be named contingently or successively and who may be natural persons or fiduciaries) to whom the principal of the trust fund and all accrued or undistributed income therefrom shall be distributed in a lump sum or, if the beneficiary is the grantor's spouse (or a trust for which the grantor's spouse is the sole income beneficiary), in installments, as directed by the grantor, upon the grantor's death. If the grantor directs an installment method of distribution to the spouse as beneficiary, any amounts remaining at the death of the spouse beneficiary shall be distributed in a lump sum to the executor or administrator of the spouse beneficiary's estate. If the grantor directs an installment method of distribution to a trust for which the grantor's spouse is the sole income beneficiary, any amounts remaining at the death of the spouse shall be distributed in a lump sum to such trust. Despite the foregoing, if (i) the beneficiary is a trust for which the grantor's spouse is the sole income beneficiary, (ii) payments are being made pursuant to this paragraph II-4 other than in a lump sum and (iii) income earned by the trust fund for the year exceeds the amount of the annual installment payment, then such trust may elect to withdraw such excess income by written notice to the trustee. Each designation shall revoke all prior designations, shall be in writing and shall be effective only when filed by the grantor with the administrator during the grantor's lifetime. If the grantor fails to direct a method of distribution, the distribution shall be made in a lump sum. If the grantor fails to designate a beneficiary as provided above, then on the grantor's death, the trustee shall distribute the balance of the trust fund in a lump sum to the executor or administrator of the grantor's estate.

II-5 FACILITY OF PAYMENT. When a person entitled to a distribution hereunder is under legal disability, or, in the trustee's opinion, is in any way incapacitated so as to be unable to manage his or her financial affairs, the trustee may

make such distribution to such person's legal representative, or to a relative or friend of such person for such person's benefit. Any distribution made in accordance with the preceding sentence shall be a full and complete discharge of any liability for such distribution hereunder.

II-6 PERPETUITIES. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this agreement, on the day next preceding the end of 21 years after the death of the last to die of the grantor and the grantor's descendants living on the date of this instrument, the trustee shall immediately distribute any remaining balance in the trust to the beneficiaries then entitled to distributions hereunder.

ARTICLE III MANAGEMENT OF THE TRUST FUND

III-1. GENERAL POWERS. The trustee shall, with respect to the trust fund, have the following powers, rights and duties in addition to those provided elsewhere in this agreement or by law:

- (a) Subject to the limitations of subparagraph (b) next below, to sell, contract to sell, purchase, grant or exercise options to purchase, and otherwise deal with all assets of the trust fund, in such way, for such considerations, and on such terms and conditions as the trustee decides.
- (b) To retain in cash such amounts as the trustee considers advisable; and to invest and reinvest the balance of the trust fund, without distinction between principal and income, in obligations of the United States Government and its agencies or which are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States Government or in any mutual fund, common trust fund or collective investment fund which invests solely in such obligations; and any such investment made or retained by the trustee in good faith shall be proper despite any resulting risk or lack of diversification or marketability.
- (c) To deposit cash in any depositary (including the banking department of the bank acting as trustee)

without liability for interest, and to invest cash in savings accounts or time certificates of deposit bearing a reasonable rate of interest in any such depositary.

- (d) To invest, subject to the limitations of subparagraph
 (b) above, in any common or commingled trust fund or funds maintained or administered by the trustee solely for the investment of trust funds.
- (e) To borrow from anyone, with the administrator's approval, such sum or sums from time to time as the trustee considers desirable to carry out this trust, and to mortgage or pledge all or part of the trust fund as security.
- (f) To retain any funds or property subject to any dispute without liability for interest and to decline to make payment or delivery thereof until final adjudication by a court of competent jurisdiction or until an appropriate release is obtained.
- (g) To begin, maintain or defend any litigation necessary in connection with the administration of this trust, except that the trustee shall not be obliged or required to do so unless indemnified to the trustee's satisfaction.
- (h) To compromise, contest, settle or abandon claims or demands.
- (i) To give proxies to vote stocks and other voting securities, to join in or oppose (alone or jointly with others) voting trusts, mergers, consolidations, foreclosures, reorganizations, liquidations, or other changes in the financial structure of any corporation, and to exercise or sell stock subscription or conversion rights.
- (j) To hold securities or other property in the name of a nominee, in a depositary or in any other way, with or without disclosing the trust relationship.
- (k) To divide or distribute the trust fund in undivided interests or wholly or partly in kind.
- (1) To pay any tax imposed on or with respect to the trust; to defer making payment of any such tax if it is indemnified to its satisfaction in the premises; and to require before making any payment such release or other document from any lawful taxing authority and such indemnity from the intended payee as the trustee consider necessary for its protection.
- (m) To deal without restriction with the legal representative of the grantor's estate or the trustee or other legal representative of any trust created by the grantor or a trust or estate in which a beneficiary has an interest, even though

the trustee, individually, shall be acting in such other capacity without liability for any loss that may result.

- (n) To appoint or remove by written instrument any bank or corporation qualified to act as successor trustee, wherever located, as special trustee as to part or all of the trust fund, including property as to which the trustee does not act, and such special trustee, except as specifically limited or provided by this or the appointing instrument, shall have all of the rights, titles, powers, duties, discretions and immunities of the trustee, without liability for any action taken or omitted to be taken under this or the appointing instrument.
- (o) To appoint or remove by written instrument any bank,

wherever located, as custodian of part or all of the trust fund, and each such custodian shall have such rights, powers, duties and discretions as are delegated to it by the trustee.

- (p) To employ agents, attorneys, accountants or other persons, and to delegate to them such powers as the trustee considers desirable, and the trustee shall be protected in acting or refraining from acting on the advice of persons so employed without court action.
- (q) To perform any and all other acts which in the trustee's judgment are appropriate for the proper management, investment and distribution of the trust fund.

III-2. PRINCIPAL AND INCOME. Any income earned on the trust fund which is not distributed as provided in Article II shall be accumulated and from time to time added to the principal of the trust. The grantor's interest in the trust shall include all assets or other property held by the trustee hereunder, including principal and accumulated income.

III-3. STATEMENTS. The trustee shall prepare and deliver monthly to the administrator and annually to the grantor, if then living, otherwise to each beneficiary then entitled to distributions under this agreement, a statement (or series of statements) setting forth (or which taken together set forth) all investments, receipts, disbursements and other transactions effected by the trustee during the reporting period; and showing the trust fund and the value thereof at the end of such period.

III-4. COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES. All reasonable costs, charges and expenses incurred in the administration of this trust, including compensation to the trustee, any compensation to agents, attorneys, accountants and other persons

employed by the trustee, and expenses incurred in connection with the sale, investment and reinvestment of the trust fund shall be paid from the trust fund.

ARTICLE IV GENERAL PROVISIONS

IV-1. INTERESTS NOT TRANSFERABLE. The interests of the grantor or other persons entitled to distributions hereunder are not subject to their debts or other obligations and may not be voluntarily or involuntarily sold, transferred, alienated, assigned or encumbered.

IV-2. DISAGREEMENT AS TO ACTS. If there is a disagreement between the trustee and anyone as to any act or transaction reported in any accounting, the trustee shall have the right to a settlement of its account by any proper court.

IV-3. TRUSTEE'S OBLIGATIONS. No power, duty or responsibility is imposed on the trustee except as set forth in this agreement. The trustee is not obliged to determine whether funds delivered to or distributions from the trust are proper under the trust, or whether any tax is due or payable as a result of any such delivery or distribution. The trustee shall be protected in making any distribution from the trust as directed pursuant to Article II without inquiring as to whether the distributee is entitled thereto; and the trustee shall not be liable for any distribution is not proper under the terms of this agreement.

IV-4. GOOD FAITH ACTIONS. The trustee's exercise or non-exercise of its powers and discretions in good faith shall be conclusive on all persons. No one shall be obliged to see to the application of any money paid or property delivered to the trustee. The certificate of the trustee that it is acting according to this agreement will fully protect all persons dealing with the trustee.

 $$\rm IV-5.$ WAIVER OF NOTICE. Any notice required under this agreement may be waived by the person entitled to such notice.

IV-6. CONTROLLING LAW. The laws of the State of Illinois shall govern the interpretation and validity of the provisions of this agreement and all questions relating to the management, administration, investment and distribution of the trust hereby created.

IV-7. SUCCESSORS. This agreement shall be binding on all persons entitled to distributions hereunder and their respective heirs and legal representatives, and on the trustee and its successors.

ARTICLE V CHANGES IN TRUSTEE

V-1. RESIGNATION OR REMOVAL OF TRUSTEE. The trustee may resign at any time by giving thirty days' advance written notice to the administrator and

the grantor. The administrator may remove a trustee by written notice to the trustee and the grantor.

V-2. APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE. The administrator shall fill any vacancy in the office of trustee as soon as practicable by written notice to the successor trustee; and shall give prompt written notice thereof to the grantor, if then living, otherwise to each beneficiary then entitled to payments or distributions under this agreement. A successor trustee shall be a bank (as defined in Section 581 of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended).

V-3. DUTIES OF RESIGNING OR REMOVED TRUSTEE AND OF SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE. A trustee that resigns or is removed shall furnish promptly to the administrator and the successor trustee an account of its administration of the trust from the date of its last account. Each successor trustee shall succeed to the title to the trust fund vested in its predecessor without the signing or filing of any instrument, but each predecessor trustee shall execute all documents and do all acts necessary to vest such title of record in the successor trustee. Each successor trustee shall have all the powers conferred by this agreement as if originally named trustee. No successor trustee shall be personally liable for any act or failure to act of a predecessor trustee. With the approval of the administrator, a successor trustee may accept the account furnished and the property delivered by a predecessor trustee without incurring any liability for so doing, and such acceptance will be complete discharge to the predecessor trustee.

ARTICLE VI AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION

VI-1. AMENDMENT. With the consent of the administrator, this trust may be amended from time to time by the grantor, if then living, otherwise by a majority of the beneficiaries then entitled to payments or distributions hereunder, except as follows:

- (a) The duties and liabilities of the trustee cannot be changed substantially without its consent.
- (b) This trust may not be amended so as to make the trust revocable.

VI-2. TERMINATION. This trust shall not terminate, and all rights, titles, powers, duties, discretions and immunities imposed on or reserved to the trustee, the administrator, the grantor and the beneficiaries shall continue in effect, until all assets of the trust have been distributed by the trustee as provided in Article II.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the grantor and the trustee have executed this agreement as of the day and year first above written.

Grantor The Northern Trust Company as Trustee By Its

AGREEMENT REGARDING CHANGE IN CONTROL

THIS AGREEMENT ("Agreement"), is made and entered into as of the 20th day of June, 2003 (the "Effective Date") by and between Abbott Laboratories (the "Company") and ______ (the "Executive") and amends and restates, in its entirety, an Agreement regarding Change in Control dated as of the 1st day of January, 2000, as amended and restated on the 8th day of December, 2000, also by and between the Company and the Executive (the "Original Agreement");

WITNESSETH THAT:

WHEREAS, the Company considers it essential to the best interests of its shareholders to foster the continuous employment of key management personnel, and the Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") recognizes that, as is the case with many publicly held corporations, a change in control might occur and that such possibility, and the uncertainty and questions which it may raise among management, may result in the departure or distraction of management personnel to the detriment of the Company and its shareholders; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that appropriate steps should be taken to reinforce and encourage the continued attention and dedication of members of the Company's management, including the Executive, to their assigned duties without distraction in the face of potentially disturbing circumstances arising from the possibility of a change in control of the Company;

NOW, THEREFORE, to induce the Executive to remain in the employ of the Company and in consideration of the premises and mutual covenants set forth herein, IT IS HEREBY AGREED by and between the parties as follows:

1. AGREEMENT TERM. The initial "Agreement Term" shall begin on the Effective Date and shall continue through December 31, 2005. As of December 31, 2003, and as of each December 31 thereafter, the Agreement Term shall extend automatically to the third anniversary thereof unless the Company gives notice to the Executive prior to the date of such extension that the Agreement Term will not be extended. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if a Change in Control (as defined in Section 7 below), occurs during the Agreement Term, the Agreement Term shall continue through and terminate on the second anniversary of the date on which the Change in Control occurs.

2. ENTITLEMENT TO CHANGE IN CONTROL BENEFITS. The Executive shall be entitled to the Change in Control Benefits described in Section 3 hereof if the Executive's employment by the Company is terminated during the Agreement Term but after a Change in Control (i) by the Company for any reason other than Permanent Disability or Cause, (ii) by the Executive for Good Reason or (iii) by the Executive for any reason during the 30-day period commencing on the first date which is six months after the date of the Change in Control. For purposes of this Agreement:

- (a) A termination of the Executive's employment shall be treated as a termination by reason of "Permanent Disability" only if, due to a mental or physical disability, the Executive is absent from the full time performance of duties with the Company for a period of at least twelve consecutive months and fails to return to the full time performance of duties within 30 days after receipt of a demand by the Company to do so.
- The term "Cause" shall mean the willful engaging by the (b) Executive in illegal conduct or gross misconduct which is demonstrably and materially injurious to the Company. For purposes of this Agreement, no act, or failure to act, on the Executive's part shall be deemed "willful" unless done, or omitted to be done, by the Executive not in good faith and without reasonable belief that the Executive's action or omission was in the best interest of the Company. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Executive shall not be deemed to have been terminated for Cause unless and until the Company delivers to the Executive a copy of a resolution duly adopted by the affirmative vote of not less than three-quarters of the entire membership of the Board at a meeting of the Board called and held for such purpose (after reasonable notice to the Executive and an opportunity for the Executive, together with counsel, to be heard before the Board) finding that, in the good faith opinion of the Board,

the Executive was guilty of conduct set forth above and specifying the particulars thereof in detail.

- (c) The term "Good Reason" shall mean the occurrence of any of the following circumstances without the Executive's express written consent:
 - a significant adverse change in the nature, scope or status of the Executive's position, authorities or duties from those in effect immediately prior to the Change in Control, including, without limitation, if the Executive was, immediately prior to the Change in Control, an executive officer of a public company, the Executive ceasing to be an executive officer of a public company;
 - (ii) the failure by the Company to pay the Executive any portion of the Executive's current compensation, or to pay the Executive any portion of any installment of deferred compensation under any deferred compensation program of the

Company, within seven days of the date such compensation is due;

- (iii) a reduction in the Executive's annual base salary (or a material change in the frequency of payment) as in effect immediately prior to the Change in Control as the same may be increased from time to time;
- (iv) the failure by the Company to award the Executive an annual bonus in any year which is at least equal to the annual bonus, awarded to the Executive under the annual bonus plan of the Company for the year immediately preceding the year of the Change in Control;
- (v) the failure by the Company to award the Executive equity-based incentive compensation (such as stock options, shares of restricted stock, or other equity-based compensation) on a periodic basis consistent with the Company's practices with respect to timing, value and terms prior to the Change in Control;
- (vi) the failure by the Company to continue to provide the Executive with the welfare benefits, fringe benefits and perquisites enjoyed by the Executive immediately prior to the Change in Control under any of the Company's plans or policies, including, but not limited to, those plans and policies providing pension, life insurance, medical, health and accident, disability, vacation, executive automobile, executive tax or financial advice benefits or club dues;
- (vii) the relocation of the Company's principal executive offices to a location more than thirty-five miles from the location of such offices immediately prior to the Change in Control or the Company requiring the Executive to be based anywhere other than the Company's principal executive offices except for required travel to the Company's business to an extent substantially consistent with the Executive's business travel obligations immediately prior to the Change in Control; or
- (viii) the failure of the Company to obtain a satisfactory agreement from any successor to the Company to

assume and agree to perform this Agreement as contemplated by Section 16.

For purposes of any determination regarding the existence of Good Reason, any good faith determination by the Executive that Good Reason exists shall be conclusive. 3. CHANGE IN CONTROL BENEFITS. In the event of a termination of employment entitling the Executive to benefits in accordance with Section 2, the Executive shall receive the following:

- (a) The Executive shall be entitled to receive the following employee welfare benefits: medical, accident, dental, prescription, and life insurance coverage for the Executive (and, where applicable under the Company's welfare benefit plans, the Executive's family) through the third anniversary of the Executive's date of termination of employment, or, if earlier, the date on which the Executive becomes employed by another employer. The benefits provided by the Company shall be no less favorable in terms of coverage and cost to the Executive than those provided under the Company's welfare benefit plans applicable to the Executive (and, where applicable, the Executive's family) prior to the Change in Control, determined as if the Executive remained in the employ of the Company through such third anniversary. For purposes of determining eligibility of the Executive for retiree welfare benefits, the Executive shall be considered to have remained in the employ of the Company through such third anniversary.
- (b) If the Executive's date of termination occurs after the end of a performance period applicable to an annual incentive (bonus) award, and prior to the payment of the award for the period, the Executive shall be entitled to a lump sum payment in cash no later than twenty (20) business days after the date of termination equal to the greatest of (i) the Executive's annual incentive (bonus) award for that period, as determined under the terms of that incentive award arrangement, (ii) the Executive's annual incentive (bonus) award for that period, with the determination of the amount of such award based on an assumption that the target level of performance had been achieved or (iii) the Participant's average annual incentive (bonus) award for the three annual performance periods preceding that period (provided that if the Participant was not a participant in the incentive award arrangement for any of those three prior years, the

averaging period shall be reduced from three years to the number of years during the three year period in which the Participant was a participant; and further provided that if the Participant's award for any such year was reduced because the Participant was not a participant for the full year, such amount shall be annualized for purposes of the computation in this clause (iii)).

(C) For any annual incentive (bonus) plan or arrangement in which the Executive participates for the performance period in which the Executive's termination of employment occurs, the Executive shall be entitled to a lump sum payment in cash no later than twenty (20) business days after the date of termination equal to the greater of (i) the Executive's annual incentive (bonus) award for the performance period that includes the date of termination, with the determination of the amount of such award based on an assumption that the target level of performance has been achieved or (ii) the Executive's average annual incentive (bonus) award for the three annual performance periods preceding the performance period that includes the date of termination (provided that if the Executive was not a participant in the incentive award arrangement for any of those three prior years, the averaging period shall be reduced from three years to the number of years during the three year period in which the Executive was a participant; and further provided that if the Executive's award for any such year was reduced because the Executive was not a participant for the full year, such amount shall be annualized for purposes of the computation in this clause (ii)); provided that such payment shall be subject to a pro-rata reduction to reflect the number of days in the performance period following the date of termination. The amount payable under this paragraph (c) shall be in lieu of any amounts that may otherwise be due to the Executive with respect to any annual incentive (bonus) plan or arrangement in which the Executive participates for the performance period in which the Executive's date of termination occurs.

- (d) The Executive shall be entitled to a lump sum payment in cash no later than twenty business days after the Executive's date of termination equal to the sum of:
 - (i) an amount equal to three times the Executive's annual salary rate in effect on the date of the

Change in Control or, or if greater, as in effect immediately prior to the date of termination; plus

(ii) an amount equal to three times the greater of (x) the Executive's annual incentive (bonus) award for the performance period that includes the date of the Executive's termination of employment, with the determination of the amount of such award based on an assumption that the target level of performance has been achieved or (y) the Executive's average annual incentive (bonus) award for the three annual performance periods preceding the performance period that includes the date of termination (provided that if the Executive was not a participant in the incentive award arrangement for any of those three prior years, the averaging period shall be reduced from three years to the number of years during the three year period in which the Executive was a participant; and further provided that if the Executive's award for any such year was reduced because the Executive was not a participant for the full year, such amount shall be annualized for purposes of the computation in this subparagraph (ii)).

The amount payable under this paragraph (d) shall be inclusive of the amounts, if any, to which the Executive would otherwise be entitled as severance pay under any severance pay plan, or by law and shall be in addition to (and not inclusive of) any amount payable under any written agreement(s) directly between the Executive and the Company or any of its subsidiaries.

(e) The Executive shall be entitled to benefits under the Abbott Laboratories Supplemental Pension Plan (the "Supplemental Plan") which shall be determined as if the Executive had been credited for benefit accrual purposes with three additional years of service and three additional years of eligible earnings at the higher of the Executive's eligible earnings on the date of termination or the Executive's eligible earnings on the date of the Change in Control and, for purposes of determining the Executive's eligibility for subsidized early retirement benefits, determined as if the Executive were three years older than the Executive's actual age on the date of termination. For purposes of this paragraph (e), "eligible earnings" shall include salary, annual incentive (bonus) awards and all

other forms of compensation used to calculate benefits under the Supplemental Plan. The amounts of the annual incentive (bonus) awards shall be calculated in accordance with this paragraph (e) and, to the extent applicable, paragraphs (b) and (c) above. The Executive's benefits under the Supplemental Plan shall be determined, paid and administered without regard to any termination or amendment (including any amendment affecting actuarial factors) of such plan or of any other plan, which is adopted on or after a Change in Control or in contemplation of a Change in Control and, subject to paragraph (f) below, shall be paid in accordance with the terms of that plan and the Executive's elections under that plan. Within twenty (20) days of Executive's date of termination, the Company shall provide the Executive with all forms, elections and materials required in connection with the funding or payment of the Executive's benefits under that plan. Within twenty (20) days of the Company's receipt of properly executed and completed forms, elections and other required materials from the Executive, the Company shall fund the additional benefits to the extent provided by the terms of such plan.

- (f) The Executive shall be entitled to elect that all or any portion of the amounts payable under paragraphs 3(b) and 3(c) and subparagraph 3(d)(ii) above (less applicable tax withholding) be paid directly to a grantor trust established by the Executive to the same extent as bonuses payable under the 1986 Abbott Laboratories Management Incentive Plan, the 1998 Abbott Laboratories Performance Incentive Plan, or any successor plans thereto with all of the rights and entitlements attendant thereto.
- (g) The Company shall provide the Executive with outplacement services and tax and financial counseling suitable to the Executive's position through the third anniversary of the date of the Executive's termination of employment, or, if earlier, the date on which the Executive becomes employed by another employer.

If the Executive is a participant in the 1998 Abbott Laboratories Performance Incentive Plan or any successor thereto, the Executive's annual incentive (bonus) award for the performance period which includes the date of termination under paragraphs (c) and (d)(ii) above and, if applicable, for the period preceding the date of termination under paragraph (b) shall, be determined under the bonus levels communicated in writing to the Executive by the Company for such year and shall not be the Executive's individual base award allocation as defined in Section 4.2 of the 1998

Abbott Laboratories Performance Incentive Plan (or any corresponding provision of any successor plan).

4. MITIGATION. The Executive shall not be required to mitigate the amount of any payment provided for in this Agreement by seeking other employment or otherwise. Except as set forth in paragraph 3(a) with respect to benefits, the Company shall not be entitled to set off against the amounts payable to the Executive under this Agreement any amounts owed to the Company by the Executive, any amounts earned by the Executive in other employment after the Executive's termination of employment with the Company, or any amounts which might have been earned by the Executive in other employment had the Executive sought such other employment.

5. MAKE-WHOLE PAYMENTS. If any payment or benefit to which the Executive (or any person on account of the Executive) is entitled, whether under this Agreement or otherwise, in connection with a Change in Control or the Executive's termination of employment (a "Payment") constitutes a "parachute payment" within the meaning of section 280G of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and as a result thereof the Executive is subject to a tax under section 4999 of the Code, or any successor thereto, (an "Excise Tax"), the Company shall pay to the Executive an additional amount (the "Make-Whole Amount") which is intended to make the Executive whole for such Excise Tax. The Make-Whole Amount shall be equal to (i) the amount of the Excise Tax, plus (ii) the aggregate amount of any interest, penalties, fines or additions to any tax which are imposed in connection with the imposition of such Excise Tax, plus (iii) all income, excise and other applicable taxes imposed on the Executive under the laws of any Federal, state or local government or taxing authority by reason of the payments required under clauses (i) and (ii) and this clause (iii).

- (a) For purposes of determining the Make-Whole Amount, the Executive shall be deemed to be taxed at the highest marginal rate under all applicable local, state, federal and foreign income tax laws for the year in which the Make-Whole Amount is paid. The Make-Whole Amount payable with respect to an Excise Tax shall be paid by the Company coincident with the Payment with respect to which such Excise Tax relates.
- (b) All calculations under this Section 5 shall be made initially by the Company and the Company shall provide prompt written notice thereof to the Executive to enable the Executive to timely file all applicable tax returns. Upon request of the Executive, the Company shall provide the Executive with sufficient tax and compensation data to enable the Executive or the Executive's tax advisor to independently make the calculations described in subparagraph (a) above and the Company shall reimburse the Executive for reasonable fees and expenses incurred for any such verification.

- (C) If the Executive gives written notice to the Company of any objection to the results of the Company's calculations within 60 days of the Executive's receipt of written notice thereof, the dispute shall be referred for determination to independent tax counsel selected by the Company and reasonably acceptable to the Executive ("Tax Counsel"). The Company shall pay all fees and expenses of such Tax Counsel. Pending such determination by Tax Counsel, the Company shall pay the Executive the Make-Whole Amount as determined by it in good faith. The Company shall pay the Executive any additional amount determined by Tax Counsel to be due under this Section 5 (together with interest thereon at a rate equal to 120% of the Federal short-term rate determined under section 1274(d) of the Code) promptly after such determination.
- (d) The determination by Tax Counsel shall be conclusive and binding upon all parties unless the Internal Revenue Service, a court of competent jurisdiction, or such other duly empowered governmental body or agency (a "Tax Authority") determines that the Executive owes a greater or lesser amount of Excise Tax with respect to any Payment than the amount determined by Tax Counsel.
- (e) If a Taxing Authority makes a claim against the Executive which, if successful, would require the Company to make a payment under this Section 5, the Executive agrees to contest the claim with counsel reasonably satisfactory to the Company, on request of the Company subject to the following conditions:
 - The Executive shall notify the Company of any such (i) claim within 10 days of becoming aware thereof. In the event that the Company desires the claim to be contested, it shall promptly (but in no event more than 30 days after the notice from the Executive or such shorter time as the Taxing Authority may specify for responding to such claim) request the Executive to contest the claim. The Executive shall not make any payment of any tax which is the subject of the claim before the Executive has given the notice or during the 30-day period thereafter unless the Executive receives written instructions from the Company to make such payment together with an advance of funds sufficient to make the requested payment plus any amounts payable under this Section 5 determined as

if such advance were an Excise Tax, in which case the Executive will act promptly in accordance with such instructions.

(ii) If the Company so requests, the Executive will contest the claim by either paying the tax claimed and suing for a refund in the appropriate court or contesting the claim in the United States Tax Court or other appropriate court, as directed by the Company; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that any request by the Company for the Executive to pay the tax shall be accompanied by an advance from the Company to the Executive of funds sufficient to make the requested payment plus any amounts payable under this Section 5 determined as if such advance were an Excise Tax. If directed by the Company in writing the Executive will take all action necessary to compromise or settle the claim, but in no event will the Executive compromise or settle the claim or cease to contest the claim without the written consent of the Company; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the Executive may take any such action if the Executive waives in writing the Executive's right to a payment under this Section 5 for any amounts payable in connection with such claim. The Executive agrees to cooperate in good faith with the Company in contesting the claim and to comply with any reasonable request from the Company concerning the contest of the claim, including the pursuit of administrative remedies, the appropriate forum for any judicial proceedings, and the legal basis for

contesting the claim. Upon request of the Company, the Executive shall take appropriate appeals of any judgment or decision that would require the Company to make a payment under this Section 5. Provided that the Executive is in compliance with the provisions of this section, the Company shall be liable for and indemnify the Executive against any loss in connection with, and all costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, which may be incurred as a result of, contesting the claim, and shall provide to the Executive within 30 days after each written request therefor by the Executive cash advances or reimbursement for all such costs and expenses actually incurred or reasonably expected to be incurred by the Executive as a result of contesting the claim.

(f) Should a Tax Authority finally determine that an additional Excise Tax is owed, then the Company shall pay an additional Make-Whole Amount to the Executive in a manner consistent with this Section 5 with respect to any additional Excise Tax and any assessed interest, fines, or penalties. If any Excise Tax as calculated by the Company or Tax Counsel, as the case may be, is finally determined by a Tax Authority to exceed the amount required to be paid under applicable law, then the Executive shall repay such excess to the Company within 30 days of such determination; provided that such repayment shall be reduced by the amount of any taxes paid by the Executive on such excess which is not offset by the tax benefit attributable to the repayment.

6. TERMINATION DURING POTENTIAL CHANGE IN CONTROL. If a Potential Change in Control (as defined in Section 8) occurs during the Agreement Term, and the Company terminates the Executive's employment for reasons other than Permanent Disability or Cause during such Potential Change in Control, the Executive shall be entitled to receive the benefits that the Executive would have received under Section 3, such benefits to be calculated based upon the Executive's compensation prior to the actual termination of employment but paid within 20 business days of the date of such termination.

7. CHANGE IN CONTROL. For purposes of this Agreement, a "Change in Control" shall be deemed to have occurred on the earliest of the following dates:

- (a) the date any Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from the Company or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities, excluding any Person who becomes such a Beneficial Owner in connection with a transaction described in clause (i) of paragraph (c) below; or
- (b) the date on which the following individuals cease for any reason to constitute a majority of the number of directors then serving: individuals who, on the date hereof, constitute the Board and any new director (other than a director whose initial assumption of office is in connection with an actual or threatened election contest, including but not limited to a consent solicitation, relating to the election of directors of the Company) whose appointment or election by the Board or nomination for election by the Company's shareholders was approved or recommended by a vote of at

least two-thirds (2/3) of the directors then still in office who either were directors on the date hereof or whose appointment, election or nomination for election was previously so approved or recommended; or

(c) the date on which there is consummated a merger or consolidation of the Company or any direct or indirect subsidiary of the Company with any other corporation or other entity, other than (i) a merger or consolidation (A) immediately following which the individuals who comprise the Board immediately prior thereto constitute at least a majority of the board of directors of the Company, the entity surviving such merger or consolidation or, if the Company or the entity surviving such merger or consolidation is then a subsidiary, the ultimate parent thereof and (B) which results in the voting securities of the Company outstanding immediately prior to such merger or consolidation continuing to represent (either by remaining outstanding or by being converted into voting securities of the surviving entity or any parent thereof), in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any subsidiary of the Company, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the securities of the Company or such surviving entity or any parent thereof outstanding immediately after such merger or consolidation, or (ii) a merger or consolidation effected to implement a recapitalization of the Company (or similar transaction) in which no Person is or becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company (not including in the securities Beneficially Owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from the Company or its Affiliates) representing 20% or more of the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities; or

(d) the date on which the shareholders of the Company approve a plan of complete liquidation or dissolution of the Company or there is consummated an agreement for the sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets, other than a sale or disposition by the Company of all or substantially all of the Company's assets to an entity, at least 50% of the combined voting power of the voting securities of which are owned by shareholders of the Company, in combination with the ownership of any trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company

or any subsidiary of the Company, in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of the Company immediately prior to such sale.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, a "Change in Control" shall not be deemed to have occurred by virtue of the consummation of any transaction or series of integrated transactions immediately following which the record holders of the common stock of the Company immediately prior to such transaction or series of transactions continue to have substantially the same proportionate ownership in an entity which owns all or substantially all of the assets of the Company immediately following such transaction or series of transactions.

For purposes of this Agreement: "Affiliate" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 12b-2 promulgated under Section 12 of the Exchange Act; "Beneficial Owner" shall have the meaning set forth in Rule 13d-3 under the Exchange Act; "Exchange Act" shall mean the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended from time to time; and "Person" shall have the meaning given in Section 3(a)(9) of the Exchange Act, as modified and used in Sections 13(d) and 14(d) thereof, except that such term shall not include (i) the Company or any of its subsidiaries, (ii) a trustee or other fiduciary holding securities under an employee benefit plan of the Company or any of its Affiliates, (iii) an underwriter temporarily holding securities pursuant to an offering of such securities, or (iv) a corporation owned, directly or indirectly, by the shareholders of the Company in substantially the same proportions as their ownership of stock of the Company.

8. POTENTIAL CHANGE IN CONTROL. A "Potential Change in Control" shall exist during any period in which the circumstances described in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) or (d), below, exist (provided, however, that a Potential Change in Control shall cease to exist not later than the occurrence of a Change in Control):

- (a) The Company enters into an agreement, the consummation of which would result in the occurrence of a Change in Control, provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (a) shall cease to exist upon the expiration or other termination of all such agreements;
- (b) Any Person (without regard to the exclusions set forth in

subsections (i) through (iv) of such definition) publicly announces an intention to take or to consider taking actions the consummation of which would constitute a Change in Control; provided that a Potential Change in Control

described in this paragraph (b) shall cease to exist upon the withdrawal of such intention, or upon a determination by the Board that there is no reasonable chance that such actions would be consummated;

- (c) Any Person becomes the Beneficial Owner, directly or indirectly, of securities of the Company representing 10% or more of either the then outstanding shares of common stock of the Company or the combined voting power of the Company's then outstanding securities (not including in the securities beneficially owned by such Person any securities acquired directly from the Company or its Affiliates);
- (d) The Board adopts a resolution to the effect that, for purposes of this Agreement, a Potential Change in Control exists; provided that a Potential Change in Control described in this paragraph (d) shall cease to exist upon a determination by the Board that the reasons that gave rise to the resolution providing for the existence of a Potential Change in Control have expired or no longer exist.

9. STOCK AND OPTION AWARDS. With respect to any award granted to the Executive under the Company's 1996 Incentive Stock Program (the "Program"), any Prior Program (as defined in the Program) or any successor program, the following shall apply:

- (a) if the award (other than incentive stock options granted pursuant to Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code (each an "Incentive Stock Option") prior to the first date on which the Original Agreement was executed) includes a provision substantially similar to the provision contained in the first paragraph in Appendix A, then after a Change in Control no forfeiture shall be effected pursuant to such provision unless the Executive shall have been terminated for "Cause" within the meaning of paragraph 2(b) above;
- (b) if the award (other than an Incentive Stock Option granted prior to the Effective Date) includes a provision substantially similar to the provision contained in the second paragraph in Appendix A, then after a Change in Control no forfeiture shall be effected pursuant to such provision unless the Executive shall have been terminated for "Cause" within the meaning of paragraph 2(b) above; and
- (c) if the Executive becomes entitled to Change in Control Benefits under Section 2 above, then in determining the

Executive's rights with respect to that award, other than Incentive Stock Options granted prior to the later of:

- (i) December 8, 2000, or
- (ii) the first date on which the Original Agreement was executed, the Executive shall be treated as having incurred a termination of employment due to retirement.

10. WITHHOLDING. All payments to the Executive under this Agreement will be subject to withholding of applicable taxes. The Company shall withhold the applicable taxes in an amount calculated at the minimum statutory rate and shall pay the amount so withheld to the appropriate tax authority.

11. NONALIENATION. The interests of the Executive under this Agreement are not subject in any manner to anticipation, alienation, sale, transfer, assignment, pledge, encumbrance, attachment, or garnishment by creditors of the Executive or the Executive's beneficiary.

12. AMENDMENT. This Agreement may be amended or canceled only by mutual agreement of the parties in writing without the consent of any other person. So long as the Executive lives, no person, other than the parties hereto, shall have any rights under or interest in this Agreement or the subject matter hereof. 13. APPLICABLE LAW. The provisions of this Agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Illinois, without regard to the conflict of law provisions of any state.

14. SEVERABILITY. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision of this Agreement will not affect the validity or enforceability of any other provision of this Agreement, and this Agreement will be construed as if such invalid or unenforceable provision were omitted (but only to the extent that such provision cannot be appropriately reformed or modified).

15. WAIVER OF BREACH. No waiver by any party hereto of a breach of any provision of this Agreement by any other party, or of compliance with any condition or provision of this Agreement to be performed by such other party, will operate or be construed as a waiver of any subsequent breach by such other party of any similar or dissimilar provisions and conditions at the same or any prior or subsequent time. The failure of any party hereto to take any action by reason of such breach will not deprive such party of the right to take action at any time while such breach continues.

16. SUCCESSORS, ASSUMPTION OF CONTRACT. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the Company and any successor of the Company. The Company will require any successor (whether direct or indirect, by purchase, merger, consolidation or otherwise) to all or substantially all of the business and/or assets of the Company to expressly assume and agree to perform this Agreement

in the same manner and to the same extent that the Company would be required to perform it if no succession had taken place. This Agreement is personal to the Executive and may not be assigned by the Executive without the written consent of the Company. However, to the extent that rights or benefits under this Agreement otherwise survive the Executive's death, the Executive's heirs and estate shall succeed to such rights and benefits pursuant to the Executive's will or the laws of descent and distribution; provided that the Executive shall have the right at any time and from time to time, by notice delivered to the Company, to designate or to change the beneficiary or beneficiaries with respect to such benefits.

17. NOTICES. Notices and all other communications provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be delivered personally or sent by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, postage prepaid (provided that international mail shall be sent via overnight or two-day delivery), or sent by facsimile or prepaid overnight courier to the parties at the addresses set forth below. Such notices, demands, claims and other communications shall be deemed given:

- (a) in the case of delivery by overnight service with guaranteed next day delivery, the next day or the day designated for delivery;
- (b) in the case of certified or registered U.S. mail, five days after deposit in the U.S. mail; or
- (c) in the case of facsimile, the date upon which the transmitting party received confirmation of receipt by facsimile, telephone or otherwise;

provided, however, that in no event shall any such communications be deemed to be given later than the date they are actually received. Communications that are to be delivered by the U.S. mail or by overnight service or two-day delivery service are to be delivered to the addresses set forth below:

to the Company:

Senior Vice President, Human Resources Abbott Laboratories 100 Abbott Park Road Abbott Park, Illinois 60064

with a copy (which shall not constitute notice) to:

General Counsel and Secretary Abbott Laboratories 100 Abbott Park Road Abbott Park, Illinois 60064

or to the Executive:

Name Address City, State Zip

Each party, by written notice furnished to the other party, may modify the applicable delivery address, except that notice of change of address shall be effective only upon receipt.

18. RESOLUTION OF ALL DISPUTES. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement (or the breach thereof) (a "Dispute") shall be settled by alternative dispute resolution procedures in accordance with Appendix B hereto. During the pendency of any Dispute, the Company shall continue to pay the Executive the full compensation in effect when the notice giving rise to the Dispute was given (including, but not limited to, salary) and continue the Executive (and, where applicable, the Executive's family) as a participant in all compensation, benefit and insurance plans in which the Executive was participating when the notice giving rise to the Dispute was given, until such Dispute is resolved.

19. LEGAL AND ENFORCEMENT COSTS. The provisions of this Section 19 shall apply if it becomes necessary or desirable for the Executive to retain legal counsel or incur other costs and expenses in connection with enforcing any and all rights under this Agreement or any other compensation plan maintained by the Company, including, but not limited to, the Abbott Laboratories Deferred Compensation Plan, the Abbott Laboratories 1991 Incentive Stock Program, the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program, the 1998 Abbott Laboratories Performance Incentive Plan, the Abbott Laboratories 401(k) Supplemental Plan, the Abbott Laboratories Supplemental Pension Plan, the 1986 Abbott Laboratories Management Incentive Plan or, in each case, any trust adopted pursuant thereto:

- (a) The Executive shall be entitled to recover from the Company reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with such enforcement or defense.
- (b) Payments required under this Section 19 shall be made by the Company to the Executive (or directly to the Executive's attorney) promptly following submission to the Company of appropriate documentation evidencing the incurrence of such attorneys' fees, costs, and expenses.
- (c) The Executive shall be entitled to select legal counsel; provided, however, that such right of selection shall not affect the requirement that any costs and expenses reimbursable under this Section 19 be reasonable.
- (d) The Executive's rights to payments under this Section 19 shall not be affected by the final outcome of any dispute with the Company.

20. SURVIVAL OF AGREEMENT. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this Agreement, the rights and obligations of the parties to this Agreement shall survive the termination of the Executive's employment with the Company.

21. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. Except as otherwise provided herein, this Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties concerning the subject matter hereof and supersedes all prior or contemporaneous agreements, between the parties relating to the subject matter hereof including but not limited to the Original Agreement; provided, however, that nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit any policy or agreement that is otherwise applicable relating to confidentiality, rights to inventions, copyrightable material, business and/or technical information, trade secrets, solicitation of employees, interference with relationships with other businesses, competition, and other similar policies or agreement for the protection of the business and operations of the Company and the subsidiaries.

22. COUNTERPARTS. This Agreement may be executed in two or more counterparts, any one of which shall be deemed the original without reference to the others.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, the Executive has hereunto set his hand, and the Company has caused these presents to be executed in its name and on its behalf, and its corporate seal to be hereunto affixed on this _____ day of _____, 2003, all as of the Effective Date.

EXECUTIVE

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

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APPENDIX A

AGREEMENT REGARDING CHANGE IN CONTROL FORFEITURE PROVISION REFERENCED IN SECTION 9

Notwithstanding paragraphs (x^*) , (y^*) and (z^*) , these options (this restricted stock award, etc.) shall immediately terminate (be forfeited), if in the sole opinion and discretion of the Compensation Committee or its delegate, the employee (a) engages in a material breach of the company's Code of Business Conduct; (b) commits an act of fraud, embezzlement or theft in connection with the employee's duties or in the course of employment; or (c) wrongfully discloses secret processes or confidential information of the company or its subsidiaries.

Notwithstanding paragraphs (x^*) , (y^*) and (z^*) , these options shall immediately terminate in the event the employee engages directly or indirectly, for the benefit of the employee or others, in any activity, employment or business during employment or within twelve (12) months after the date of termination or retirement which, in the sole opinion and discretion of the compensation committee or its delegate, is competitive with the company or any of its subsidiaries.

* Provisions contained in the agreements pertaining to nonforfeiture for death, disability, etc.

APPENDIX B

AGREEMENT REGARDING CHANGE IN CONTROL ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURES

The parties to the Agreement Regarding Change in Control dated as of the 20th day of June, 2003 (the "Agreement") recognize that a bona fide dispute as to certain matters may arise from time to time during the term of the Agreement which relates to either party's rights and/or obligations. To have such a dispute resolved by this Alternative Dispute Resolution ("ADR") provision, a party first must send written notice of the dispute to the other party for attempted resolution by good faith negotiations between the Executive and the Company within twenty-eight (28) days after such notice is received (all references to "days" in the ADR provision are to calendar days).

If the matter has not been resolved within twenty-eight (28) days of the notice of dispute, or if the parties fail to meet within such twenty-eight (28) days, either party may initiate an ADR proceeding as provided herein. The parties shall have the right to be represented by counsel in such a proceeding.

1. To begin an ADR proceeding, a party shall provide written notice to the other party of the issues to be resolved by ADR. Within fourteen (14) days after its receipt of such notice, the other party may, by written notice to the party initiating the ADR, add additional issues to be resolved within the same ADR.

2. Within twenty-one (21) days following receipt of the original ADR notice, the parties shall select a mutually acceptable neutral to preside in the resolution of any disputes in this ADR proceeding. If the parties are unable to agree on a mutually acceptable neutral within such period, either party may request the President of the CPR Institute for Dispute Resolution ("CPR"), 366 Madison Avenue, 14th Floor, New York, New York 10017, to select a neutral pursuant to the following procedures:

- (a) The CPR shall submit to the parties a list of not less than five (5) candidates within fourteen (14) days after receipt of the request, along with a CURRICULUM VITAE for each candidate. No candidate shall be an employee, director or shareholder of either party or any of their subsidiaries or affiliates.
- (b) Such list shall include a statement of disclosure by each candidate of any circumstances likely to affect his or her impartiality.
- (c) Each party shall number the candidates in order of preference (with the number one (1) signifying the greatest preference) and shall deliver the list to the CPR within seven (7) days following receipt of the list of candidates. If a party believes a conflict of interest exists regarding any of the candidates, that party shall provide a written

explanation of the conflict to the CPR along with its list showing its order of preference for the candidates. Any party failing to return a list of preferences on time shall be deemed to have no order of preference.

(d) If the parties collectively have identified fewer than three (3) candidates deemed to have conflicts, the CPR immediately shall designate as the neutral the candidate for whom the parties collectively have indicated the greatest preference. If a tie should result between two candidates, the CPR may designate either candidate. If the parties collectively have identified three (3) or more candidates deemed to have conflicts, the CPR shall review the explanations regarding conflicts and, in its sole discretion, may either (i) immediately designate as the neutral the candidate for whom the parties collectively have indicated the greatest preference, or (ii) issue a new list of not less than five (5) candidates, in which case the procedures set forth in subparagraphs 2(a)-2(d) shall be repeated.

3. No earlier than twenty-eight (28) days or later than fifty-six (56) days after selection, the neutral shall hold a hearing to resolve each of the issues identified by the parties. The ADR proceeding shall take place at a location agreed upon by the parties. If the parties cannot agree, the neutral shall designate a location other than the principal place of business of either party or any of the subsidiaries or affiliates.

4. At least seven (7) days prior to the hearing, each party shall submit the following to the other party and the neutral:

- (a) a copy of all exhibits on which such party intends to rely in any oral or written presentation to the neutral;
- (b) a list of any witnesses such party intends to call at the hearing, and a short summary of the anticipated testimony of each witness;
- (c) a proposed ruling on each issue to be resolved, together with a request for a specific damage award or other remedy for each issue. The proposed rulings and remedies shall not contain any recitation of the facts or any legal arguments and shall not exceed one (1) page per issue.
- (d) a brief in support of such party's proposed rulings and remedies, provided that the brief shall not exceed twenty (20) pages. This page limitation shall apply regardless of the number of issues raised in the ADR proceeding. Except as expressly set forth in subparagraphs 4(a) 4(d), no

discovery shall be required or permitted by any means, including deposition, interrogatories, requests for admissions or production of documents.

5. The hearing shall be conducted on two (2) consecutive days and shall be governed by the following rules:

(a) Each party shall be entitled to five (5) hours of hearing time to present its case. The neutral shall determine whether each party has had the five (5) hours to which it is entitled.

- (b) Each party shall be entitled, but not required, to make an opening statement, to present regular or rebuttal testimony, documents or other evidence, to cross-examine witnesses and to make a closing argument. Cross-examination of witnesses shall occur immediately after their direct testimony, and cross-examination time shall be charged against the party conducting the cross-examination.
- (c) The party initiating the ADR shall begin the hearing and, if it chooses to make an opening statement, shall address not only issues it raised, but also any issues raised by the responding party. The responding party, if it chooses to make an opening statement, also shall address all issues raised in the ADR. Thereafter, the presentation of regular and rebuttal testimony and documents, other evidence and closing arguments shall proceed in the same sequence.
- (d) Except when testifying, witnesses shall be excluded from the hearing until closing arguments.
- (e) Settlement negotiations, including any statements made therein, shall not be admissible under any circumstances. Affidavits prepared for purposes of the ADR hearing also shall not be admissible. As to all other matters, the neutral shall have sole discretion regarding the admissibility of any evidence.

6. Within seven (7) days following completion of the hearing, each party may submit to the other party and the neutral a post-hearing brief in support of its proposed rulings and remedies, provided that such brief shall not contain or discuss any new evidence and shall not exceed ten (10) pages. This page limitation shall apply regardless of the number of issues raised in the ADR proceeding.

7. The neutral shall rule on each disputed issue within fourteen (14) days following completion of the hearing. Such ruling shall adopt in its entirety the proposed ruling and remedy of one of the parties on each disputed issue but may adopt one party's proposed rulings and remedies on some issues and the other party's proposed

rulings and remedies on other issues. The neutral shall not issue any written opinion or otherwise explain the basis of the ruling.

8. The neutral shall be paid a reasonable fee plus expenses by the Company. The Company shall bear its own fees and expenses. The Executive's fees and expenses shall be paid or reimbursed by the Company to the extent provided by the Agreement.

9. The rulings of the neutral and the allocation of fees and expenses shall be binding, non-reviewable, and non-appealable, and may be entered as a final judgment in any court having jurisdiction.

10. Except as provided in Section 9 or as required by law, the existence of the dispute, any settlement negotiations, the ADR hearing, any submissions (including exhibits, testimony, proposed rulings, and briefs), and the rulings shall be deemed Confidential Information. The neutral shall have the authority to impose sanctions for unauthorized disclosure of Confidential Information.

EXHIBIT A

ABBOTT LABORATORIES EQUITY-BASED AWARD / RECOGNITION PLAN

1. PURPOSE. Abbott Laboratories (the "Company") previously established the Equity-based Award / Recognition Plan (the "Plan") to recognize outstanding performance of employees of the Company and its Subsidiaries (as defined below) by transferring shares of Stock (as defined below) to such employees. The following provisions constitute an amendment, restatement and continuation of the Plan as of June 20, 2003, the "Effective Date" of the Plan as set forth herein.

2. ADMINISTRATION. The Plan will be administered by the Company's Senior Vice President, Human Resources (or, in the event that the Company does not then have a Senior Vice President, Human Resources, the individual performing the duties of the Company's Senior Vice President, Human Resources) (the "Plan Administrator"). The Plan Administrator shall interpret the Plan, prescribe, amend and rescind rules and regulations relating thereto and make all other determinations necessary or advisable for the administration of the Plan. The Plan Administrator may, from time to time, delegate any or all of his or her duties, powers and authority to any person or persons.

3. PROGRAMS. Subject to the terms and conditions of the Plan, the Plan Administrator or his or her delegate may establish one or more programs under the Plan (the "Programs"). Each Program shall provide for the award of Stock under the Plan, and shall contain the terms and conditions described in Supplement A to the Plan (which is attached to and forms a part of the Plan) or such other terms and conditions as determined to be appropriate by the Plan Administrator. Programs may be established, modified, and terminated from time to time in the discretion of the Plan Administrator.

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4. ELIGIBLE EMPLOYEES. Any employee of the Company and its Subsidiaries shall be eligible to participate in the Plan to the extent provided under the terms of one or more Programs; provided, however, that no award may be made to an employee who is an officer of the Company on the date that such award is made.

5. SHARES RESERVED UNDER THE PLAN. There is hereby reserved for awards under the Plan made after the Effective Date an aggregate of 500,000 shares of Stock which shall be purchased in accordance with paragraph 6 in the open market or in private transactions. The maximum award under the Plan for any one calendar year for any one participant (with such limit to be applied as of the date of the award) shall be 50 shares of Stock; provided, however, that, to the extent that the Company or a Subsidiary provides additional cash to satisfy any or all tax liability associated with an award, that amount shall be disregarded in applying the foregoing limits.

6. PURCHASE AND DELIVERY OF SHARES. Each award under the Plan shall be made under the terms of a Program. All awards under the Plan shall be settled in shares of Stock (except to the extent that the Company or a Subsidiary provides additional cash to satisfy any or all tax liability associated with the award). To settle any award under the Plan, the Treasury Department of the Company shall deliver to a broker an amount, in cash, necessary to purchase the number of shares of Stock specified for the award. With respect to each award, the broker shall purchase in the name of the award recipient in the open market or in private transactions the specified number of shares of Stock. Such shares shall be delivered by the broker to the award recipient in accordance with the applicable Program.

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7. AWARDS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES. Awards under the Plan may be made to participants in the Plan who are residing in jurisdictions outside the United States as the Plan Administrator in his or her sole discretion may determine from time to time. The Plan Administrator, in his or her discretion, may adopt such modifications to the Plan and any Program as may be necessary to comply with the applicable laws of jurisdictions outside the United States and to afford participants favorable treatment under such laws.

8. OTHER PROVISIONS. Any award under any Program may be subject to such provisions not otherwise set forth in the Program description (whether or not applicable to the award made to any other participant) as the Plan Administrator

determines appropriate, including, without limitation, such provisions as may be appropriate to comply with federal or state securities laws and stock exchange requirements.

9. TERM OF PLAN AND AMENDMENT OF AWARDS. The Plan shall continue in effect until terminated by the Board. A participant's right to receive awards that have been made under the Plan but have not yet been settled in Stock may be amended, modified or canceled by mutual agreement between the Plan Administrator and the participant or beneficiary.

10. TAXES. The Company shall be entitled to withhold the amount of any tax attributable to any shares deliverable under the Plan after giving the person entitled to receive such shares reasonable advance notice, and the Company may defer making delivery if any such tax may be pending unless and until indemnified to its satisfaction. The Plan Administrator may, in its discretion and subject to such rules as he or she may adopt, permit or require a participant to pay all or a portion of the federal, state and local taxes, including FICA and medicare withholding tax, arising in connection with the receipt of any award under the Plan by having the Company withhold cash otherwise deliverable to the broker with respect to the award.

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A Program may provide for additional cash to be provided by the Company or a Subsidiary to satisfy any or all tax liability associated with an award (including any tax liability resulting from the provision of such additional cash).

11. DEFINITIONS.

- (a) BOARD. The term "Board" means the Board of Directors of the Company or any person or persons to whom the Board of Directors of the Company delegates its duties, powers and authority under the Plan.
- (b) STOCK. The term "Stock" means common stock of the Company.
- (c) SUBSIDIARY. The term "Subsidiary" means any corporation, partnership, joint venture or business trust, fifty percent (50%) or more of the control of which is owned, directly or indirectly, by the Company.

12. ADJUSTMENT PROVISIONS. In the event of a change in the number of issued shares of Stock without new consideration to the Company (such as by stock dividends or stock splits) or a reorganization, sale, merger, consolidation, spin-off or similar occurrence with respect to the Company, the total number of shares of Stock reserved for awards under the Plan and the number of shares covered by awards that have been made under the Plan but have not yet been settled in Stock shall be subject to equitable adjustment to reflect such change as determined by the Plan Administrator.

13. AMENDMENT AND TERMINATION OF PLAN. The Board may amend the Plan from time to time or terminate the Plan at any time, but no such action shall reduce the then existing amount of any participant's award previously made that has not yet been settled in Stock or adversely change the terms and conditions of such previously made awards without the participant's consent.

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14. TRANSFERABILITY. Except as otherwise provided by the Plan Administrator, a participant's right to receive awards that have been made under the Plan but have not yet been settled in Stock is not transferable except as designated by the participant by will or by the laws of descent and distribution.

15. GENDER AND NUMBER. Where the context admits, words in any gender shall include any other gender, words in the singular shall include the plural and the plural shall include the singular.

16. EVIDENCE. Evidence required of anyone under the Plan may be by certificate, affidavit, document or other information which the person acting on it considers pertinent and reliable, and signed, made or presented by the proper party or parties.

17. PLAN NOT CONTRACT OF EMPLOYMENT. The Plan does not constitute a contract of employment, and participation in the Plan will not give any employee the right to be retained in the employ of the Company and its Subsidiaries nor any right or claim to any benefits under the Plan, unless such right has specifically accrued under the Plan.

Exhibit 12

Abbott Laboratories

Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges

(Unaudited)

(DOLLARS IN MILLIONS EXCEPT RATIOS)

Six Months Ended June 30, 2003 ----Net Earnings \$1,048 Add (deduct): Taxes on earnings 424 Capitalized interest cost, net of amortization 5 Minority interest 3 ------ Net Earnings as adjusted \$1,480 ------ Fixed Charges: Interest on long-term and short-term debt 96 Capitalized interest cost 3 Rental expense representative of an interest factor 32 ------- Total Fixed Charges 131 -----Total adjusted earnings available for payment of fixed charges \$1,611 ====== Ratio of earnings to fixed charges 12.3 ======

NOTE: For the purpose of calculating this ratio, (i) earnings have been calculated by adjusting net earnings for taxes on earnings; interest expense; capitalized interest cost, net of amortization; minority interest; and the portion of rentals representative of the interest factor, (ii) Abbott considers one-third of rental expense to be the amount representing return on capital, and (iii) fixed charges comprise total interest expense, including capitalized interest and such portion of rentals.

CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUIRED BY RULE 13a-14(a) (17 CFR 240.13a-14(a))

I, Miles D. White, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Abbott Laboratories;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of Abbott Laboratories as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. Abbott Laboratories' other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for Abbott Laboratories and have:

a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to Abbott Laboratories, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b) Evaluated the effectiveness of Abbott Laboratories' disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

c) Disclosed in this report any change in Abbott Laboratories' internal control over financial reporting that occurred during Abbott Laboratories' most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, Abbott Laboratories' internal control over financial reporting; and

5. Abbott Laboratories' other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to Abbott Laboratories' auditors and the audit committee of Abbott Laboratories' board of directors:

a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect Abbott Laboratories' ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in Abbott Laboratories' internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 12, 2003

/s/ Miles D. White Miles D. White, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER REQUIRED BY RULE 13a-14(a) (17 CFR 240.13a-14(a))

I, Thomas C. Freyman, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Abbott Laboratories;

2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;

3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of Abbott Laboratories as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;

4. Abbott Laboratories' other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) for Abbott Laboratories and have:

a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to Abbott Laboratories, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;

b) Evaluated the effectiveness of Abbott Laboratories' disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and

c) Disclosed in this report any change in Abbott Laboratories' internal control over financial reporting that occurred during Abbott Laboratories' most recent fiscal quarter that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, Abbott Laboratories' internal control over financial reporting; and

5. Abbott Laboratories' other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to Abbott Laboratories' auditors and the audit committee of Abbott Laboratories' board of directors:

a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect Abbott Laboratories' ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and

b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in Abbott Laboratories' internal control over financial reporting.

Date: August 12, 2003

/s/ Thomas C. Freyman Thomas C. Freyman, Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Abbott Laboratories (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2003 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Miles D. White, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Miles D. White

Miles D. White Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer August 12, 2003

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to Abbott Laboratories and will be retained by Abbott Laboratories and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350 AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Abbott Laboratories (the "Company") on Form 10-Q for the period ended June 30, 2003 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Thomas C. Freyman, Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- The Report fully complies with the requirements of section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

/s/ Thomas C. Freyman

Thomas C. Freyman Senior Vice President, Finance and Chief Financial Officer August 12, 2003

A signed original of this written statement required by Section 906 has been provided to Abbott Laboratories and will be retained by Abbott Laboratories and furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission or its staff upon request.

CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The Financial Review and other sections of this Form 10-Q contain forward-looking statements that are based on management's current expectations, estimates and projections. Words such as "expects," "anticipates," "intends," "plans," "believes," "seeks," "estimates," variations of these words and similar expressions are intended to identify these forward-looking statements. Certain factors, including but not limited to those listed below, may cause actual results to differ materially from current expectations, estimates, projections and from past results.

- Competitive factors, including: (i) pricing pressures, both in the United States and abroad, primarily from managed care groups and government agencies, (ii) the development of new products by competitors having lower prices or superior performance or that are otherwise competitive with Abbott's current products, (iii) generic competition when Abbott's products lose their patent or regulatory protection, (iv) technological advances, patents and registrations obtained by competitors, and (v) business combinations among Abbott's competitors or major customers.
- Difficulties and delays inherent in the development, manufacturing, marketing, or sale of products, including: (i) uncertainties in the United States Food and Drug Administration and foreign regulatory approval processes, (ii) delays in the receipt of or the inability to obtain required approvals, (iii) efficacy or safety concerns, (iv) the suspension, revocation, or adverse amendment of the authority necessary for manufacture, marketing, or sale, (v) the imposition of additional or different regulatory requirements, such as those affecting labeling, (vi) seizure or recall of products, (vii) the failure to obtain, the imposition of limitations on the use of, or the loss of patent and other intellectual property rights, (viii) loss of regulatory exclusivity, (ix) manufacturing or distribution problems, (x) problems with licensors, suppliers and distributors, and (xi) labor disputes, strikes, slow-downs or other forms of labor or union activity.
- Governmental action including: (i) new laws, regulations and judicial decisions related to health care availability, method of delivery, or the method or amount of payment or reimbursement for health care products and services, (ii) changes in the United States Food and Drug Administration and foreign regulatory approval processes that may delay or prevent the approval of new products and result in lost market opportunity, (iii) new laws, regulations and judicial decisions affecting pricing or marketing, and (iv) changes in the tax laws relating to Abbott's operations, including laws related to the remittance of foreign earnings.
- Changes in economic conditions over which Abbott has no control, including changes in the rate of inflation, business conditions, interest rates, foreign currency exchange rates, market value of Abbott's equity investments, and the performance of investments held by Abbott's employee benefit trusts.
- Changes in business and political conditions, including (i) war, political instability, terrorist attacks in the U.S. and other parts of the world, the threat of future terrorist activity in the U.S. and other parts of the world and related U.S. military action, and (ii) the cost and availability of insurance due to any of the foregoing events.
- Changes in Abbott's business units and investments and changes in the relative and absolute contribution of each to earnings resulting from evolving business strategies and opportunities existing now or in the future, such as acquisitions, restructurings or dispositions.
- Changes in costs or expenses, including variations resulting from changes in product mix and changes in tax rates both in the United States and abroad.
- Legal difficulties, any of which could preclude commercialization of products or adversely affect profitability, including: (i) claims asserting antitrust violations, (ii) claims asserting securities law violations, (iii) claims asserting violations of the Federal False Claims Act, Anti-Kickback Statute, or other violations in connection

with Medicare and/or Medicaid reimbursement, (iv) claims asserting violations of the Prescription Drug Marketing Act, (v) derivative actions, (vi) product liability claims, (vii) disputes over intellectual property rights (including patents), (viii) environmental matters, (ix) issues regarding compliance with any governmental consent decree, including the consent decree between Abbott and the United States Food and Drug Administration described in Abbott's 2002 Form 10-K under the caption "Regulation," and Abbott's ability to successfully return diagnostic products affected by this consent decree to market, and (x) issues regarding compliance with any corporate integrity agreement, including the corporate integrity agreement between Abbott and the Office of Inspector General for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services described under the caption "Legal Proceedings" in this Form 10-Q.

- Changes in accounting standards promulgated by the Financial Accounting Standards Board, the Securities and Exchange Commission or the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

No assurance can be made that any expectation, estimate or projection contained in a forward-looking statement will be achieved or will not be affected by the factors cited above or other future events. Readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on such statements, which speak only as of the date made. Abbott undertakes no obligation to release publicly any revisions to forward-looking statements as the result of subsequent events or developments.