

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LIEPMANN HOLGER A</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD</u> (Street) <u>ABBOTT PARK IL 60064-6400</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/28/2008</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Executive Vice President</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common shares without par value	08/28/2008		M		2,378	A	\$44.6124	146,256	D	
Common shares without par value	08/28/2008		M		12,200	A	\$45.4488	158,456	D	
Common shares without par value	08/28/2008		F		12,681	D	\$57.72	145,775	D	
Common shares without par value								14,091 ⁽¹⁾	I	Profit sharing trust
Common shares without par value								295 ⁽²⁾	I	By wife for daughter
Common shares without par value								296 ⁽²⁾	I	By wife for daughter

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	\$44.6124	08/28/2008		M			2,378	07/09/2004	07/08/2011	Common shares	2,378	\$0	0	D	
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	\$45.4488	08/28/2008		M			12,200	02/09/2004	02/08/2011	Common shares	12,200	\$0	1,028	D	
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	\$57.72	08/28/2008		A		2,051		03/01/2009	07/08/2011	Common shares	2,051	\$0	2,051	D	
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	\$57.72	08/28/2008		A		10,630		03/01/2009	02/08/2011	Common shares	10,630	\$0	10,630	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of August 28, 2008.
2. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of shares held by his daughters.
3. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program, including a replacement option feature, in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Holger A. Liepmann
09/02/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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