

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>Fain Eric S</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]</u>			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>Senior Vice President</u>		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/04/2017</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		
<u>100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD</u>			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)					
(Street) <u>ABBOTT PARK IL</u>	<u>60064-6400</u>							
(City)	(State)	(Zip)						

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	01/04/2017		A		113,827	A	(1)	115,327	D	
Common shares without par value	01/04/2017		A		322,461	A	(2)(3)	437,788	D	
Common shares without par value	01/04/2017		A		50,761(4)	A	\$0	488,549	D	
Common shares without par value	01/04/2017		A		32,418(5)(6)	A	\$0	520,968	D	

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)	\$28.5	01/04/2017		A		44,387		(7)(8)	12/10/2021	Common shares without par value	44,387	(7)	44,387	D	
Option (right to buy)	\$33.14	01/04/2017		A		85,864		(7)(9)	12/08/2022	Common shares without par value	85,864	(7)	85,864	D	
Option (right to buy)	\$29.56	01/04/2017		A		163,268		(7)(10)	12/07/2023	Common shares without par value	163,268	(7)	163,268	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. On January 4, 2017, Abbott Laboratories ("Abbott") acquired St. Jude Medical, Inc. ("St. Jude Medical") pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger by and among Abbott, St. Jude Medical, Vault Merger Sub, Inc. and Vault Merger Sub, LLC dated as of April 27, 2016 (the "Merger Agreement"). Upon the First Effective Time (as defined in the Merger Agreement), each outstanding St. Jude Medical common share (other than certain shares identified in the Merger Agreement) was converted into the right to receive (a) \$46.75 in cash, without interest, and (b) 0.8708 common shares of Abbott.
2. Pursuant to terms of the Merger Agreement, at the First Effective Time, each vested St. Jude Medical stock option was deemed exercised pursuant to a cashless exercise and deemed settled by issuance of a number of St. Jude Medical shares equal to the difference (rounded down to the nearest whole share, but with any partial shares otherwise issuable settled in cash) of (a) the number of St. Jude Medical common shares subject to such surrendered St. Jude Medical option as of immediately prior to the First Effective Time minus (b) the number of whole and partial (computed to the nearest four decimal places) St. Jude Medical common shares that, when multiplied by \$80.82 (the closing price of a St. Jude Medical common share on January 4, 2017), is equal to the aggregate exercise price of such surrendered St. Jude Medical option. (Continued in footnote 3).
3. Such St. Jude Medical common shares were then canceled and converted into the right to receive the merger consideration with respect to each St. Jude Medical common share issued in respect of the stock option, less any applicable withholding taxes.
4. These shares represent restricted stock awards under the Abbott Laboratories 2009 Incentive Stock Program. These awards have a 3-year term and are scheduled to vest on January 4, 2020. The award includes the right to have shares withheld for tax purposes.
5. Pursuant to terms of the Merger Agreement, at the First Effective Time, each unvested St. Jude Medical restricted stock unit award was canceled and converted into a restricted stock unit award, with substantially the same terms and conditions as were applicable to such St. Jude Medical award (except that, subject to the holder's continued employment, the award will fully vest to the extent unvested on the second anniversary of the First Effective Time), that is settleable with respect to a number of Abbott common shares equal to the product (rounded to the nearest whole share) of (a) the number of St. Jude Medical shares subject to such award multiplied by (b) 2.0850 (the "Stock Award Exchange Ratio").
6. 15,982 restricted stock units are scheduled to vest on December 17, 2017 and will be settled promptly thereafter, 10,657 restricted stock units are scheduled to vest on December 17, 2018 and will be settled promptly thereafter, and 5,779 restricted stock units are scheduled to vest on January 4, 2019 and will be settled December 17, 2019.
7. Pursuant to terms of the Merger Agreement, at the First Effective Time, each unvested St. Jude Medical stock option was canceled and converted into an option to acquire, on substantially the same terms and conditions (except that, subject to the holder's continued employment, the option will fully vest to the extent unvested on the second anniversary of the First Effective Time), a number of Abbott common shares equal to the product (rounded down to the nearest whole share) of (a) the number of St. Jude Medical common shares subject to such option multiplied by (b) the Stock Award Exchange Ratio, at an exercise price per Abbott common share equal to the quotient (rounded up to the nearest whole cent) of (i) the per share exercise price for the St. Jude Medical common shares subject to such assumed option as of immediately prior to the First Effective Time divided by (ii) the Stock Award Exchange Ratio.
8. These options are scheduled to vest on December 17, 2017.
9. 42,932 options are scheduled to vest on December 17, 2017 and 42,932 options are scheduled to vest on December 17, 2018.
10. 54,422 options are scheduled to vest on December 17, 2017, 54,422 options are scheduled to vest on December 17, 2018 and 54,424 options are scheduled to vest on January 4, 2019.

/s/ John A. Berry, by power of 01/06/2017

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).

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