FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WASCOE THOMAS M						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]								elationship of eck all applic Directo	cable) or	g Perso	10% Ow	ner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/28/2004								below)	(give title Senior Vic	Other (s below) sident	респу	
(Street) ABBOTT PARK IL 60064-6400					- 4. I	f Ame	ndment,	Date o	f Origin	al File	d (Month/Day	Line	Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(5		(Zip) 	on-Deri	vativ	e Se	curitie	es Aci	nuirea	l Die	snosed of	or Be	neficiall	v Owned				
Table I - Non-Derive 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day				action	2A Ex r) if a	. Deeme ecution lany onth/Day	d Date,	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Insti		(A) or	5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F	nount of 6 rities F ficially (I		Direct Indirect Etr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
										v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common shares without par value 10/28/20						004			M		9,092	A	\$33.231	.4 76	76,800		D	
Common shares without par value 10/28/2					/2004	004			F		7,898	D	\$42.43	68	68,902		D	
Common shares without par value													9,393(1)			I S	Profit Sharing Trust	
			Table II								oosed of, convertib			Owned			•	
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. Transa Code (8)				6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio	e le s liy	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		(Instr. 4)	on(s)		
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$33.2314	10/28/2004			M			9,092	02/14/	/2004	02/13/2013	common shares	9,092	\$0	86,672	2	D	
Option (right to	\$42.43	10/28/2004			A		7,898		04/29/	2005	02/13/2013	common shares	7,898	\$0	7,898	3	D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of October 27, 2004.
- 2. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program, including a replacement option feature, in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3.

This exercise was made pursuant to a perviously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c). The plan was adopted on October 21, 2004.

John A. Berry, Attorney-in-Fact 10/29/2004 for Thomas M. Wascoe

** 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).
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