FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  RAND A BARRY					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]								(Che	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issue (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) (First) (Middle) 500 WOODBINE ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2005									Office below	er (give title v)	Othe belo	r (specify v)	
(Street) STAMFORD CT 06903  (City) (State) (Zip)				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	5. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da				Execution Date			Code (II 8)			rities Acquired (A) ed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 t (A) or Pri			Beneficially Owned Followin Reported Transaction(s)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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 Da if any (Month/Day/	ate, Tr	Transaction Code (Instr.				6. Date Exercisabl Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amour Securi Under Deriva		7. Title and Amount of Securities Juderlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		. Price of perivative security nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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Stock equivalent units	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	12/31/2005			A		304		(1)		(1)	common shares	30	04	\$39.43	1,574 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Director fees deferred and credited to a stock equivalent unit account under a grantor trust established by the director and paid, in cash, generally at age 65 or upon retirement from the board. The stock equivalent units earn the same return as if the fees were invested in Abbott stock.
- $2. \ Balance\ includes\ stock\ equivalent\ units\ acquired\ pursuant\ to\ a\ dividend\ reinvestment\ feature.$

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for A. Barry Rand

01/04/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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