FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  WHITE MILES D						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]							(Ch	5. Relationship of Re (Check all applicable) X Director		Reporting Person(s) to Issu lle) 10% Ow	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2006								below)	(give title  Chairma		ner (specify ow)
(Street) ABBOTT PARK IL 60064-6400  (City) (State) (Zip)				4.	If Amo	endment, [	Date of	Original	Filed	(Month/Da	y/Year)	Line	e) <mark>X</mark> Form fi	iled by One	Filing (Chece Reporting Fore than One F	erson	
		Та	ble I - No	n-Deri	ivativ	/e Se	curities	s Acc	uired,	Dis	posed o	f, or Be	neficiall	y Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	r. 3)		2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 an			5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s Illy	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Indirect	
							•	,	Code	v	Amount	(A) o	r Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)		(Instr. 4)
Common	shares with	out par value		02/17/2006		06			A <sup>(1)</sup>		139,00	0 A	\$44.1	6 770	,690	D	
Common shares without par value					02/18/2006				F		8,390	D	\$44.1	5 762	,300	D	
Common shares without par value														15,9	)75 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Profit Sharing Trust
Common shares without par value														4,2	249	I	By wife for son <sup>(3)</sup>
Common	shares with	out par value												4,2	249	I	By wife for son <sup>(3)</sup>
			Table II -								osed of, onvertil			Owned			,
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Code (Instr.		Derivative I		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		e	7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti	e Owne s Form Direct or Ind g (I) (Ins	(D) Beneficial Ownershi irect (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	ion(s)	
Option (right to buy) <sup>(4)</sup>	\$44.16	02/17/2006			A		438,000		02/17/20	07	02/16/2016	common shares	438,000	\$0	438,0	00 I	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. These shares represent performance vested restricted stock awards under the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3. The awards have a 5 year term, with no more than 1/3 of the award vesting in any one year upon Abbott reaching a minimum return on equity target. The awards include the right to have stock withheld for tax purposes.
- 2. Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of February 16, 2006.
- ${\it 3.}\ {\it The\ reporting\ person\ disclaims\ beneficial\ ownership\ of\ all\ securities\ held\ by\ his\ sons.}$
- $4. \ Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16b-3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 146,000 on 2/17/07, 146,000 on 2/17/08 and 146,000 on 2/17/09.$

John A. Berry by power of attorney for Miles D. White

02/22/2006

\*\* 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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## POWER OF ATTORNEY

The undersigned constitutes and appoints LAURA J. SCHUMACHER, JOHN A. BERRY and DEBORAH K. KOENEN, and each of them individually, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for the undersigned and in the undersigned's name, place and stead, to prepare and sign any and all Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Notices of Proposed Sales of Securities pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933 on Form 144, all SEC statements on Forms 3, 4 and 5 as required under Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and any amendments to such forms, and to file the same with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the SEC, granting unto said attorney-in-fact and agent full power and authority to do and perform each act and thing requisite and necessary to be done under said Rule 144 and Section 16(a), as fully for all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney-in-fact and agent may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

A copy of this power of attorney shall be filed with the SEC. The authorization set forth above shall continue in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 144, 3, 4, or 5 or if earlier, until the undersigned revokes such authorization by written instructions to the attorney-in-fact.

Date: February 20, 2006

/s/ Miles D. White

Signature of Reporting Person

Miles D. White

Name

Abbott Laboratories 100 Abbott Park Road Abbott Park, IL 60064-6400