## FORM 4

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1. Name ar	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]									(Ch	elationship eck all app X Direc	licable)	Person(s) to Is						
(Last) (First) (Middle) 676 NORTH MICHIGAN					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/31/2006										Office below	er (give title v)	Other below)	(specify	
SUITE 3860					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
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		Tabl	e I - Non-	-Deriva	ative	Sec	curitie	es Ad	equired,	Dis	osed	of, or B	enef	ficial	ly Owne	d			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transact Date (Month/Date)						Execution Dat			e, Transaction Disp Code (Instr. 5)		Dispose	curities Acquired (A) osed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Benefic	ies cially Following	orm: Direct D) or Indirect ) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
										v	Amount	ount (A) or (D)		Price	Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)			
	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)		n of		6. Date Exercisable Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			d 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			3. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				c	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		opiration	Title	Amo or Num of Shar	ber					
Stock equivalent units	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/31/2006			A		541		(1)		(1)	common shares	54	11	\$42.46	18,272 <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 William D.

04/04/2006

**Smithburg** 

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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