

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>LIEPMANN HOLGER A</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD</u> (Street) <u>ABBOTT PARK IL</u> <u>60064-6400</u> (City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/27/2007</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Executive Vice President</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
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| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 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 | 12/27/2007 | | M | | 6,691 | A | \$52.2529 | 151,402 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 12/27/2007 | | M | | 2,286 | A | \$43.73 | 153,688 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 12/27/2007 | | S | | 8,977 | D | \$57.575 | 144,711 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | | | | | | | | 13,834 ⁽¹⁾ | I | Profit sharing trust |
| Common shares without par value | | | | | | | | 295 ⁽²⁾ | I | By wife for daughter |
| Common shares without par value | | | | | | | | 296 ⁽²⁾ | I | By wife for daughter |

| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| 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) ⁽³⁾ | \$52.2529 | 12/27/2007 | | M | | | 6,691 | 06/22/2002 | 02/12/2008 | common shares | 6,691 | \$0 | 0 | D | |
| Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾ | \$43.73 | 12/27/2007 | | M | | | 2,286 | 08/16/2006 | 02/12/2008 | common shares | 2,286 | \$0 | 0 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of December 26, 2007.
2. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of shares held by his daughters.
3. 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.

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Holger A. Liepmann 12/27/2007
** 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).

** 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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