

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*<br><u>Ford Robert B</u><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><u>100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD</u><br><br>(Street)<br><u>ABBOTT PARK IL</u> <u>60064-6400</u><br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]</u><br><br>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)<br><u>03/24/2016</u><br><br>4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br><br>Director 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><u>Executive Vice President</u><br><br>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><br>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person |
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| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |                                      |  |                                |   |   |            |       |   |  |   |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|-------|---|--|---|
| 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  | 03/24/2016                           |  | G                              | V | 5,483   | D          | \$0   | 55,306  | D  |   |
| Common shares without par value  | 03/24/2016                           |  | G                              | V | 5,483   | A          | \$0   | 54,963 <sup>(1)</sup>   | I  | Ford Family Trust                                     |

| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned<br>(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) | 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) |
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|   |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V  | (A) | (D)  | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date   | Title                                      | Amount or Number of Shares   |   |  |

Explanation of Responses:

1. Held in the Ford Family Trust DTD June 2, 2014. The reporting person is co-trustee of the trust.

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Robert B. Ford

04/01/2016

\*\* 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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