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* FREYMAN THOMAS C						2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]								(Ched	ck all applic Directo	r		son(s) to Iss 10% Ov Other (s	vner	
(Last) 100 ABE	(Fi BOTT PARI	First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2006								X	below)	Officer (give title below) below  Executive Vice President			specify	
(Street) ABBOTT PARK IL 60064-6400			4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Ind Line)	Form f	iled by One	(Check Ap orting Perso n One Repo	n				
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Date			Date	n/Day/Year)		Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Code (Instr.						Securities Beneficially Owned Following	s ally following	Form:	: Direct r Indirect	of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Pri	ce	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common	shares with	out par value		02/18	3/200 <del>0</del>	6			F		1,223	D	\$4	4.15	196	,442		D		
Common	Common shares without par value		02/17	02/17/2006				A <sup>(1)</sup>		28,600	A	\$4	4.16	16 225,042		D				
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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. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of		6. Date Exercisal Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		е	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instrand 4)			B. Price of Derivative Security Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisal		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Share	ber						
Option (right to buy) <sup>(4)</sup>	\$44.16	02/17/2006			A		83,000		02/17/20	07	02/16/2016	common shares	83,0	000	\$0	83,000	)	D		

## **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.

- $2.\ Balance\ in\ the\ Abbott\ Laboratories\ Stock\ Retirement\ Trust\ as\ of\ February\ 16,\ 2006.$
- 3. Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his daughter and sons.
- 4. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16(b) Rule 16b-3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 27,667 on 2/17/2007, 27,667 on 2/17/2008 and 27,666 on 2/17/2009.

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Thomas C.

02/22/2006

**Freyman** 

\*\* 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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## 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/ Thomas C. Freyman

Signature of Reporting Person

Thomas C. Freyman

Name

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