

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* <u>Hance Robert B</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD</u> (Street) <u>ABBOTT PARK IL 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>02/29/2012</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>Senior 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 | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 4,900 | D | \$56.775 | 220,896 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 5,750 | D | \$56.78 | 215,146 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 700 | D | \$56.785 | 214,446 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 4,115 | D | \$56.79 | 210,331 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 200 | D | \$56.7925 | 210,131 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 15,135 | D | \$56.795 | 194,996 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 12,318 | D | \$56.8 | 182,678 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 2,800 | D | \$56.805 | 179,878 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 2,300 | D | \$56.81 | 177,578 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 4,403 | D | \$56.82 | 173,175 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 200 | D | \$56.825 | 172,975 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 3,697 | D | \$56.83 | 169,278 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 2,200 | D | \$56.84 | 167,078 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 100 | D | \$56.845 | 166,978 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 1,560 | D | \$56.85 | 165,418 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 100 | D | \$56.86 | 165,318 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 100 | D | \$56.8625 | 165,218 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 4,300 | D | \$56.865 | 160,918 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 700 | D | \$56.87 | 160,218 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 02/29/2012 | | S | | 907 | D | \$56.723 | 159,311 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 03/01/2012 | | S | | 3,737 | D | \$57.06 | 155,574 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 03/01/2012 | | S | | 7,000 | D | \$57.05 | 148,574 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 03/01/2012 | | S | | 100 | D | \$57.0502 | 148,474 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 03/01/2012 | | S | | 4,163 | D | \$57.051 | 144,311 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | | | | | | | | 6,660 ⁽¹⁾ | I | Profit Sharing Trust |
| Common shares without par value | | | | | | | | 20,400 ⁽²⁾ | I | By wife |
| Common shares without par value | | | | | | | | 250 ⁽²⁾ | I | By daughter |

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| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common shares without par value | | | | | | | | 250 ⁽²⁾ | I | By 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 | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of February 28, 2012.
- The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his wife and daughters.

Remarks:

These sale transactions were made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c). Form 2 of 2.

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Robert B. Hance
03/02/2012

** 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).

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