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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* WALTER JOHN R	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ABBOTT LABORATORIES</u> [ABT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) 401 N. AHWAHNEE ROAD	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/22/2005	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)
(Street) LAKE FOREST IL 60045	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting
(City) (State) (Zip)		Person

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. Transa Code (8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(11341 4)	
Common shares without par value ⁽¹⁾	04/22/2005		A		1,889 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ <mark>0</mark>	24,475	D		
Common shares without par value								4,590 ⁽²⁾	Ι	By wife	
Common shares without par value								400 ⁽²⁾	Ι	By daughter ⁽³⁾	

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. Transa Code (8)	Instr.	5. Nur of Deriv Secur Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	ative rities ired osed	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	7. Title Amour Securi Under Deriva Securi and 4)	nt of ties lying tive ty (Instr. 3	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:

1. These are restricted stock units awarded under the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program (the "Program"). They will be paid, on a one-to-one basis, in Abbott common shares on the earlier of the date on which the director terminates or retires from the Board, dies, or the occurrence of a change in control (as defined in the Program).

2. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his wife and daughter.

3. By wife as custodian for minor daughter under the Uniform Gifts to Minor Act.

John A. Berry, Attorney-in-Fact for John R. Walter

04/26/2005

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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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