

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Warmuth Michael J</u> <hr/> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD</u> <hr/> (Street) <u>ABBOTT PARK IL 60064-6400</u> <hr/> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>12/15/2008</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]</u> <hr/> 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Senior Vice President</u>	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) <hr/> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common shares without par value	34,979	D	
Common shares without par value	23 ⁽¹⁾	I	Profit Sharing Trust
Common shares without par value	72 ⁽²⁾	I	Held by spouse

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	02/16/2010	02/15/2017	Common shares	8,933	52.54	D	
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	02/15/2009	02/14/2018	Common shares	8,500	55.56	D	
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	02/15/2010	02/14/2018	Common shares	8,500	55.56	D	
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	02/15/2011	02/14/2018	Common shares	8,500	55.56	D	
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	09/28/2008	02/11/2009	Common shares	4,514	54.03	D	
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	09/28/2008	02/13/2013	Common shares	4,540	54.03	D	
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	03/05/2009	02/13/2013	Common shares	2,649	57.93	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of December 19, 2008.
2. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his spouse.
3. Employee stock options granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

Remarks:

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John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Michael J. Warmuth

12/23/2008

** 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 5 (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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