FORM 3

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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	d Ticker or Trading Symbol ABORATORIES [ ABT ]	
100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD (Check all applicable Director Officer (a))	10% Owner Other (specify	
(Street)	below) Applicable Line)	Check
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(City) (State) (Zip)		
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities	Beneficially Owned	
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)  2. Amount of Security Beneficially Owned		nership
Common shares without par value 39,148	B D	
Table II - Derivative Securities Be (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, c		
	ount of Securities ivative Security (Instr. 4)  4.  Conversion or Exercise  Property (Instr. 4)  4.  Conversion or Exercise  Form: (Instr. 5)  (Instr. 5)	
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## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 2009 Incentive Stock Program, in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

John A. Berry, by Power of Attorney for Charles D. Foltz \*\* Signature of Reporting Person

04/03/2013

Date

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The undersigned constitutes and appoints HUBERT L. ALLEN, JOHN A. BERRY and JESSICA H. PAIK, and each of them individually, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact and agent, with full power of substitution and re-substitution, 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, including a Form ID and any other documents necessary to obtain codes and passwords necessary to make electronic filings, 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, necessary or desirable 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.

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Date: March 28, 2013

/s/ Charles D. Foltz Signature of Reporting Person

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