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*  DEMPSEY WILLIAM G							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ ABT ]								able)	g Person(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (speci		ner
(Last) 100 ABE	( BOTT PAR	First) KK ROAD	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/25/2005								X Officer (give title Other (special below)  Senior Vice President				
(Street)	ΓPARK I	RK IL 60064-6400				4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)													1 513011					
		Та	ble I - No	on-Der	rivativ	ve S	ecuritie	s Acc	uired	l, Dis	sposed of,	or Ben	eficially	Owned				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transacti Date (Month/Day					Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Disposed Of		Beneficially Owned Following		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)			
									Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				111511.4)
Common shares without par value 05/25/2						2005			M		26,251	A	\$38.456	7 175	,857	D		
Common shares without par value 05/25/20					5/200	2005		F		22,916	D	\$48.67	152	,941	D			
Common shares without par value														10,1	.82 <sup>(1)</sup>		I S	Profit Sharing Trust
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	Code (Inst				6. Date Exercisable at Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		ate	nd 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti	Ownersh Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr.	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	isable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)	on(s)		
Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$38.4567	05/25/2005			М			26,251	12/13	3/2000	02/13/2007	common shares	26,251	\$0	0		D	
Option (right to	\$48.67	05/25/2005			A		22,916		11/26	5/2005	02/13/2007	common shares	22,916	\$0	22,91	6	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- $1. \ Balance \ in the \ Abbott \ Laboratories \ Stock \ Retirement \ Trust \ as \ of \ May \ 25, \ 2005.$
- 2. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program, including a replacement option feature, in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for William G.

05/26/2005

<u>Dempsey</u>

\*\* 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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