### **ABBOTT LABORATORIES**

Form 4 March 26, 2008

## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

without par value

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Schumacher Laura J  (Last) (First) (Middle)  100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]				]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)				
			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/24/2008					(Check all applicable)  Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Executive Vice President				
				4. If Amendment, Date 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				
	ADDOTT	AKK, IL 00004-	0400						Person			
	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned										ly Owned	
	(Instr. 3) any		Execution	Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			(D)	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)		
	Common shares without par value	03/24/2008			Code V  M	Amount 10,754	(D)	Price \$ 41.0317		D		
	Common shares without par value	03/24/2008			M	3,482	A	\$ 42.4978	155,700	D		
	Common shares without	03/24/2008			F	12,025	D	\$ 55.66	143,675	D		

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Common			Profit
shares	5.050 (1)	T	
without	5,050 <u>(1)</u>	1	Sharing
par value			Trust

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 41.0317	03/24/2008		M		10,754	02/20/2006	02/19/2014	Common shares	10,75
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 42.4978	03/24/2008		M		3,482	02/12/2001	02/11/2009	Common shares	3,48
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 55.66	03/24/2008		A	9,042		09/25/2008	02/19/2014	Common shares	9,04
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 55.66	03/24/2008		A	2,983		09/25/2008	02/11/2009	Common shares	2,98

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Schumacher Laura J			Executive					
100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD			Vice					
ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			President					

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## **Signatures**

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Laura J. Schumacher

03/26/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* 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).
- (1) Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of March 24, 2008.
- (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.

#### **Remarks:**

This exercise was made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c). The plan was adopted on Marc Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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