

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

Form 4

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NEMMERS JOSEPH M

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD

(Street)

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

12/16/2004

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common shares without par value | 12/16/2004 | | G | V 1,609 D \$ 0 | 61,958 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | 01/21/2005 | | S | 8,728 D \$ 45.8476 | 53,230 | D | |
| Common shares without par value | | | | | 10,583 ⁽¹⁾ | I | Profit Sharing Trust |

| | | | |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---|-----------------|
| Common shares without par value | 338 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u> | I | By self for son |
| Common shares without par value | 338 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u> | I | By self for son |
| Common shares without par value | 278 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u> | I | By self for son |
| Common shares without par value | 284 <u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u> | I | By self for son |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of 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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NEMMERS JOSEPH M 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD | | | Senior Vice | |

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400

President

Signatures

John A. Berry, Attorney-in-Fact for Joseph M.
Nemmers

01/25/2005

__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 January 21, 2005.
- (2) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his sons.
- (3) Includes shares acquired under the Abbott Laboratories Dividend Investment and Stock Purchase Plan in transactions exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16(a)-11.

Remarks:

This sale was made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c). The plan was adopted on December

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