### Edgar Filing: ABBOTT LABORATORIES - Form 4

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| (Print or Type   | Responses)   |          |  |                             |         |            |  |   |   |
| 1. Name and A<br>Fussell Step  | Address of Reporting phen R  | S        | 2. Issuer Name <b>a</b><br>ymbol<br>IBBOTT LAB |                             |         | ]          | 5. Relationship of l<br>Issuer   |   |   |
| (Last)   | (First) (I   |          | Date of Earliest                               |                             |         |            | (Check   | all applicable  | )   |
| 100 ABBO   | TT PARK ROAD   |          | Month/Day/Year)<br>2/15/2008                   | )                           |         | -<br>-<br> | Director<br>X Officer (give<br>pelow)<br>Senior  |   | Owner<br>er (specify<br>t   |
|  | (Street)   | Fi       | If Amendment,                                  | -                           | ıl      |            | 5. Individual or Joi<br>Applicable Line)<br>_X_ Form filed by O<br>Form filed by M             | ne Reporting Pe   | rson  |
| ABBOTT   | PARK, IL 60064-0   | 5400     |  |                             |         | -          | Person   |   | porting   |
| (City)   | (State)  | (Zip)    | Table I - Non                                  | -Derivative                 | Secur   | ities Acqu | ired, Disposed of,   | or Beneficial   | ly Owned  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)   | 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed<br>(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) |          |  | tionor Dispos<br>(Instr. 3, | ed of ( | (D)        | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s) | 6.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I)<br>(Instr. 4)    | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| ~  |  |          | Code   | V Amount                    | (D)     | Price      | (Instr. 3 and 4)   |   |   |
| Common<br>shares<br>without<br>par value   | 02/15/2008   |          | А  | 19,700<br>(1)               | A       | \$ 55.56   | 128,021  | D   |   |
| Common<br>shares<br>without<br>par value   | 02/17/2008   |          | F  | 3,719                       | D       | \$ 55.55   | 124,302  | D   |   |
| Common<br>shares<br>without<br>par value   | 02/18/2008   |          | F  | 591                         | D       | \$ 55.55   | 123,711  | D   |   |

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| Common<br>shares<br>without<br>par value | 02/19/2008 | S | 600 | D | \$ 56.08     | 123,111   | D |                            |
|--|------------|---|-----|---|--------------|-----------|---|----------------------------|
| Common<br>shares<br>without<br>par value | 02/19/2008 | S | 284 | D | \$<br>56.082 | 122,827   | D |                            |
| Common<br>shares<br>without<br>par value |            |   |     |   |              | 1,301 (2) | Ι | Profit<br>Sharing<br>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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactio<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number of<br>orDerivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired (A)<br>or Disposed o<br>(D)<br>(Instr. 3, 4,<br>and 5) | Expiration Dat<br>(Month/Day/Y | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |                  | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Underlying Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |  |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--------------------------------|--|------------------|---|--|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                 | (A) (D  | Date<br>Exercisable            | Expiration<br>Date   | Title            | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of Shares                                 |  |
| Option (right to buy) $\frac{(3)}{(3)}$             | \$ 55.56  | 02/15/2008                              |   | А                                      | 78,700  | 02/15/2009                     | 02/14/2018   | Common<br>shares | 78,700  |  |

### **Reporting Owners**

| <b>Reporting Owner Name / Address</b>                                   | Relationships |           |                             |       |  |  |  |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|--|--|--|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                     | Other |  |  |  |
| Fussell Stephen R<br>100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD<br>ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400 |               |           | Senior<br>Vice<br>President |       |  |  |  |

# Signatures

Deborah K. Koenen, by power of attorney for Stephen R. Fussell

02/20/2008

\*\*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).
- These shares represent performance vested restricted stock awards under the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program. The
   (1) awards have a 5-year term, with no more than 1/3 of the award vesting in any one year upon Abbott reaching a minimum return on equity target. The awards include the right to have stock withheld for tax purposes.
- (2) Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of February 14, 2008.
- Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section (3) 16 under Rule 16b 3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 26 234 on 02/15/2009, 26 233 on 02/15/2010, and 26 233
- (3) 16 under Rule 16b-3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 26,234 on 02/15/2009, 26,233 on 02/15/2010, and 26,233 on 02/15/2011.

#### **Remarks:**

These transactions were made pursuant to previously adopted plans complying with Rule 10b5-1(c). The plans were adopted a

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