

ABBOTT LABORATORIES  
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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 \*  
Michael Edward L

(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)

05/14/2008

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)

Executive 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	(D)	Price
Common shares without par value	05/14/2008		S		9,936	D	\$ 55
Common shares without par value	05/14/2008		M		40,433	A	\$ 42.4978
Common shares without par value	05/14/2008		M		23,232	A	\$ 32.6111

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Common shares without par value 05/14/2008 F 51,986 D \$ 54.4 146,095 D

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 42.4978	05/14/2008		M	40,433	02/12/2002 02/11/2009	Common Shares	40,433
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 32.6111	05/14/2008		M	20,167	02/11/2002 02/10/2010	Common Shares	20,167
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 32.6111	05/14/2008		M	3,065	02/11/2003 02/10/2010	Common Shares	3,065
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 54.4	05/14/2008		A	34,873	11/15/2008 02/11/2009	Common Shares	34,873
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 54.4	05/14/2008		A	17,113	11/15/2008 02/10/2010	Common Shares	17,113

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Michael Edward L 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Edward L.  
Michael

05/16/2008

\_\_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) Employee stock option, including replacement option feature, granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

### Remarks:

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

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