ABBOTT LABORATORIES

Form 4

without par value

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OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Hance Robert B Issuer Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD 11/12/2009 below) below) Senior Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transactionor Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Direct (D) Ownership (Instr. 8) Owned Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code Amount (D) Price Common shares 12/22/2009 M 18,564 \$ 51.91 D Α 154,058 without par value Common shares 12/22/2009 M 42,561 A 196,619 D without par value Common shares 12/22/2009 S 1,300 D \$ 54.13 195,319 D

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Common shares without par value	12/22/2009	S	16,380	D	\$ 54.1	178,939	D	
Common shares without par value	12/22/2009	S	200	D	\$ 54.11	178,739	D	
Common shares without par value	12/22/2009	S	684	D	\$ 54.12	178,055	D	
Common shares without par value	12/22/2009	F	36,449	D	\$ 54.102	141,606	D	
Common shares without par value	11/12/2009	G V	220	D	\$ 0	141,386	D	
Common Shares without par value						6,152 <u>(1)</u>	I	Profit Sharing 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. Transactic 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 Amoun Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 51.91	12/22/2009		M		18,564	03/05/2008	02/10/2010	Common Shares	18,5
	\$ 41.0317	12/22/2009		M		42,561	02/20/2007	02/19/2014		42,5

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Option (right to buy) (2)								Common Shares	
Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 53.92	12/22/2009	A	36,449	06/	/23/2010	02/19/2014	Common Shares	36,4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Hance Robert B 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Senior Vice President				
Signatures							

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Robert B. 12/23/2009 Hance

> **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 Plan as of December 21, 2009.
- Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program, including a replacement option **(2)** feature, in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.
- Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 2009 Incentive Stock Program, including a replacement option (3) feature, in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

Remarks:

Except for the gift of 220 shares, these transactions were made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10l

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