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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

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obligations

(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 Mason Heather L Issuer Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD 03/13/2012 below) Senior Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064

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Applicable Line)

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition Dispose (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	ed of (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	03/13/2012		M	7,434	A	\$ 55.66	139,246	D	
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012		M	962	A	\$ 49.38	140,208	D	
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012		M	12,822	A	\$ 48.79	153,030	D	

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Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	M	13,516	A	\$ 54.62	166,546	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	M	5,045	A	\$ 56.35	171,591	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	1,700	D	\$ 58.4	169,891	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	400	D	\$ 58.405	169,491	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	300	D	\$ 58.41	169,191	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	4,200	D	\$ 58.415	164,991	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	100	D	\$ 58.4175	164,891	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	100	D	\$ 58.419	164,791	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	1,900	D	\$ 58.42	162,891	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	1,000	D	\$ 58.425	161,891	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	500	D	\$ 58.4275	161,391	D
	03/13/2012	S	14,721	D	\$ 58.43	146,670	D

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Common shares without par value							
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	900	D	\$ 58.435	145,770	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	100	D	\$ 58.4375	145,670	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	10,258	D	\$ 58.44	135,412	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	100	D	\$ 58.445	135,312	D
Common shares without par value	03/13/2012	S	3,500	D	\$ 58.45	131,812	D

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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 tiorDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 55.66	03/13/2012		M		7,434	09/25/2008	02/13/2013	Common shares	7,434

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Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 49.38	03/13/2012	M	962	11/04/2005	02/13/2013	Common shares	962
Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 48.79	03/13/2012	M	12,822	03/01/2007	02/13/2013	Common shares	12,822
Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 54.62	03/13/2012	M	13,516	09/02/2007	02/13/2013	Common shares	13,516
Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 56.35	03/13/2012	M	5,045	12/03/2008	02/13/2013	Common shares	5,045

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

Mason Heather L 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD

Senior Vice President

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064

Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Heather L.

Mason

03/15/2012

**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 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:

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

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