#### **ABBOTT LABORATORIES**

Form 4 May 16, 2008

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Tyree James L			2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)		(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD		AD	(Month/Day/Year) 05/14/2008	Director 10% Owner Sofficer (give title Other (specify below) Executive Vice President		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
shares without par value	05/14/2008		M	2,792	A	\$ 41.95	120,269	D	
Common shares without par value	05/14/2008		M	10,697	A	\$ 42.83	130,966	D	
Common shares without par value	05/14/2008		F	11,725	D	\$ 54.4	119,241	D	

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Common			Profit
shares	1,169 (1)	т	
without par	1,109 (1)	1	Sharing Trust
value			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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour 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)	\$ 41.95	05/14/2008		M		2,792	12/25/2004	02/13/2013	Common shares	2,7
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 42.83	05/14/2008		M		10,697	08/15/2006	02/13/2013	Common shares	10,6
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 54.4	05/14/2008		A	11,725		11/15/2008	02/13/2013	Common shares	11,7

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
. 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Tyree James L 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Executive Vice President					
Signatures								
John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Tyree	for James L.	0	5/16/2008					
**Signature of Reporting Person			Date					

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## **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 May 14, 2008.
- (2) Employee stock option, including a replacement option feature, granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program, in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

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