ABBOTT LABORATORIES

Form 4

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

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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 * WHITE MILES D			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
			ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]	(Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD		OAD	(Month/Day/Year) 08/06/2008	X Director 10% Owner Nother (give title Other (specification) below) Chairman & CEO		
	(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)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	urired. Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acquii	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) iomr Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Ownership Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (D) Following or Indirect Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008		Code V M	Amount 44,046	(D)	Price \$ 52.55	1,275,407	D	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008		M	92,521	A	\$ 53.6	1,367,928	D	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008		M	1	A	\$ 40.5618	1,367,929	D	

Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	4,100	D	\$ 58.65	1,363,829	D
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	400	D	\$ 58.66	1,363,429	D
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	300	D	\$ 58.67	1,363,129	D
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	500	D	\$ 58.68	1,362,629	D
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	100	D	\$ 58.69	1,362,529	D
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	9,600	D	\$ 58.7	1,352,929	D
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	600	D	\$ 58.71	1,352,329	D
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	600	D	\$ 58.72	1,351,729	D
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	700	D	\$ 58.73	1,351,029	D
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	10,700	D	\$ 58.74	1,340,329	D
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	46,500	D	\$ 58.75	1,293,829	D
	08/06/2008	S	4,200	D	\$ 58.76	1,289,629	D

Common shares without par value								
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	7,500	D	\$ 58.77	1,282,129	D	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	3,100	D	\$ 58.78	1,279,029	D	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	7,100	D	\$ 58.79	1,271,929	D	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	32,168	D	\$ 58.8	1,239,761	D	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	2,100	D	\$ 58.81	1,237,661	D	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	4,000	D	\$ 58.82	1,233,661	D	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	500	D	\$ 58.83	1,233,161	D	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	1,500	D	\$ 58.84	1,231,661	D	
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008	S	300	D	\$ 58.85	1,231,361	D	
Common shares without par value						18,251 (1)	I	Profit Sharing Trust
						5,168 (2)	I	By son

Common shares without par value

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shares without par value

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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 or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 52.55	08/06/2008		M	44,046	07/30/2007	09/14/2008	Common shares	44,046
Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 53.6	08/06/2008		M	92,521	03/20/2008	09/14/2008	Common shares	92,521
Option (right to buy) (3)	\$ 40.5618	08/06/2008		M	1	09/15/2000	09/14/2008	Common shares	1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
WHITE MILES D 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK II, 60064-6400	X		Chairman & CEO				

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Date

Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Miles D.	08/08/2008
White	06/06/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

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 August 6, 2008.
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his sons.
- (3) 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.

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