#### **ABBOTT LABORATORIES**

Form 4

August 08, 2008

## FORM 4

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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Symbol

(ME data)

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

LINDER GREG W

(Last)	(First) (N	Middle) 3. Dat	e of Earliest T	ransaction							
100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD			h/Day/Year) 5/2008				Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Vice President				
Filed(Mor				nendment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400				Person					1 6		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	able I - Non-	on-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, any (Month/Day/Ye.	Code	4. Securion(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	(A)	d of (D)	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	08/06/2008		М	15,473	. ,	\$ 46.65	163,985	D			
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008		F	13,548	D	\$ 58.71	150,437	D			
Common shares without par value							12,628 (1)	I	Profit Sharing Trust		

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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 Derivative Securities (A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4	Acquired posed of	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)	\$ 46.65	08/06/2008		M		15,473	09/09/2005	02/13/2013	Common Shares	15,4
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 58.71	08/06/2008		A	13,548		02/07/2009	02/13/2013	Common Shares	13,5

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LINDER GREG W 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Vice President				

## **Signatures**

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Greg W.

Linder

08/08/2008

\*\*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) Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of August 5, 2008.
- (2) 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). The plan was adopted o

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