

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

Form 4

March 26, 2008

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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See Instruction
1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Hance Robert B

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD

(Street)

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

03/24/2008

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____X____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)

Senior Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
____X____ Form filed by One Reporting Person
____ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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	03/24/2008		S	10,321	D \$ 55.411	123,804	D
Common shares without par value	03/24/2008		M	28,197	A \$ 43.9827	152,001	D
Common shares without par value	03/24/2008		M	28,664	A \$ 32.6111	180,665	D

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Common
shares
without
par value

03/24/2008

F

46,540

D

\$ 55.66

134,125

D

Common
shares
without
par value

5,846 ⁽¹⁾

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 43.9827	03/24/2008		M			28,197	04/01/2002	03/31/2009	Common Shares	28,197
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 32.6111	03/24/2008		M			28,664	02/11/2003	02/10/2010	Common Shares	28,664
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 55.66	03/24/2008		A		24,764		09/25/2008	03/31/2009	Common Shares	24,764
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 55.66	03/24/2008		A		21,776		09/25/2008	02/10/2010	Common Shares	21,776

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hance Robert B 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD			Senior Vice	

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400

President

Signatures

John A. Berry, Attorney-in-Fact for Robert B.
Hance

03/25/2008

 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 March 24, 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 on

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