

ABBOTT LABORATORIES  
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**FORM 4**

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

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
WHITE MILES D

(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)

08/06/2008

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

Chairman & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

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**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)
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008		M		44,046	A	\$ 52.55
					1,275,407		
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008		M		92,521	A	\$ 53.6
					1,367,928		
Common shares without par value	08/06/2008		M		1	A	\$ 40.5618
					1,367,929		

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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

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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 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Profit Sharing Trust
Common shares without par value						5,168 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	By son

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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 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 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) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 52.55	08/06/2008		M	44,046	07/30/2007 09/14/2008	Common shares 44,046
Option (right to buy) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 53.6	08/06/2008		M	92,521	03/20/2008 09/14/2008	Common shares 92,521
Option (right to buy) <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 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, IL 60064-6400	X		Chairman & CEO	

## Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Miles D.  
White

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 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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