

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 \*  
FREYMAN THOMAS C

(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)

12/11/2007

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)

Executive Vice President

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	12/11/2007		M		11,767	A	\$ 46.9196
Common shares without par value	12/11/2007		M		29,290	A	\$ 46.65
Common shares without par value	12/11/2007		F		35,920	D	\$ 58.9

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Common shares without par value	19,759	I	Profit sharing trust <u>(1)</u>
Common shares without par value	845	I	By daughter <u>(2)</u>
Common shares without par value	845	I	By self for son <u>(2)</u>
Common shares without par value	845	I	By self for son <u>(2)</u>

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) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 46.9196	12/11/2007		M			11,767	01/18/2002	02/10/2010	common shares	11,767
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 46.65	12/11/2007		M			29,290	09/09/2005	02/13/2013	common shares	29,290
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 58.9	12/11/2007		A			10,318	06/12/2008	02/10/2010	common shares	10,318
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	\$ 58.9	12/11/2007		A			25,602	06/12/2008	02/13/2013	common shares	25,602

# Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FREYMAN THOMAS C 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

Deborah K. Koenen by power of attorney for Thomas C. Freyman	12/12/2007
**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 December 10, 2007.
- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his daughter and 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(b) under Rule 16b-3.

### Remarks:

These transactions are being made pursuant to previously adopted plans complying with Rule 10b5-1(c). The plans were adopted on 12/12/2007.

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