ABBOTT LABORATORIES Form 8-K December 23, 2014

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 22, 2014

Abbott Laboratories

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Illinois
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

1-2189 (Commission File Number)

36-0698440 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

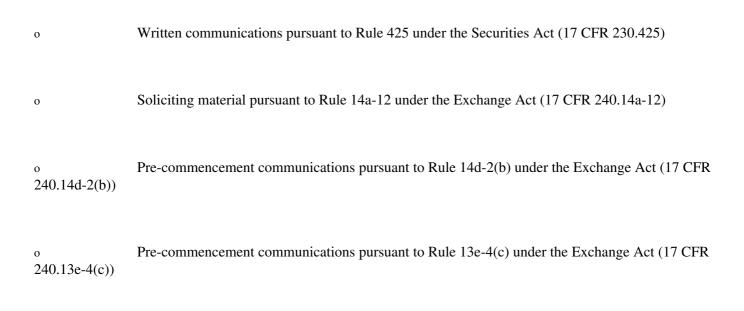
100 Abbott Park Road

Abbott Park, Illinois 60064-6400

(Address of principal executive offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (224) 667-6100

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:



Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

As previously reported, Abbott has Agreements Regarding Change in Control (Agreements) with its named executive officers, other than Miles D. White, Abbott s Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, who is not party to an Agreement Regarding Change in Control.

The Agreements provide that if Abbott gives notification of extension before the Expiration Date (December 31, 2014), the Agreement sterm shall continue through the second anniversary of the Expiration Date.

On December 22, 2014, Abbott notified the named executive officers who are party to the Agreements that the term of the Agreements was extended through December 31, 2016.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: December 23, 2014 ABBOTT LABORATORIES

By: /s/ Thomas C. Freyman Thomas C. Freyman

Executive Vice President, Finance and

Chief Financial Officer

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