ABBOTT LABORATORIES
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Michael Edward L

(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)
05/14/2008

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)
Executive 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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common shares without par value	05/14/2008		S		9,936	D	$ 55	134,416	D	
Common shares without par value	05/14/2008		M		40,433	A	$ 42.4978	174,849	D	
Common shares without par value	05/14/2008		M		23,232	A	$ 32.6111	198,081	D	

Common shares without par value	05/14/2008		F	51,986	D	$ 54.4	146,095	D

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 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) (1)	$ 42.4978	05/14/2008		M			40,433	02/12/2002	02/11/2009	Common Shares	40,4
Option (right to buy) (1)	$ 32.6111	05/14/2008		M			20,167	02/11/2002	02/10/2010	Common Shares	20,1
Option (right to buy) (1)	$ 32.6111	05/14/2008		M			3,065	02/11/2003	02/10/2010	Common Shares	3,0
Option (right to buy) (1)	$ 54.4	05/14/2008		A		34,873		11/15/2008	02/11/2009	Common Shares	34,8
Option (right to buy) (1)	$ 54.4	05/14/2008		A		17,113		11/15/2008	02/10/2010	Common Shares	17,1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Michael Edward L 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Edward L. Michael — 05/16/2008

**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) Employee stock option, including replacement option feature, granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

Remarks:

This transaction is being made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c). The plan was adopted on

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