

SMITHBURG WILLIAM D  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
SMITHBURG WILLIAM D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
676 NORTH MICHIGAN, SUITE 3860

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
03/13/2008

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

(Street)

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

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

CHICAGO, IL 60611

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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)			
				(A) or (D)						
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price			
Common shares without par value	03/13/2008		M		4,422	A	\$ 33.9503	60,813	D	
Common shares without par value	03/13/2008		F		2,924	D	\$ 51.34	57,889	D	
Common shares without par value								3,309 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	By Eagle Pines

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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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 33.9503	03/13/2008		M	4,422	04/24/1998 04/23/2008	Common shares	4,422

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SMITHBURG WILLIAM D 676 NORTH MICHIGAN SUITE 3860 CHICAGO, IL 60611	X			

## Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for William D. Smithburg  
 Date: 03/17/2008  
 \*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## 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 reflects the entire number of shares held by partnership. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein.
- (2) Stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3.

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