#### **ABBOTT LABORATORIES**

Form 4

February 16, 2006

# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

NEMMERS JOSEPH M		•	Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]				Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Month			te of Earliest Transaction th/Day/Year) 5/2006				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  Executive Vice President			
(Street) 4. If Amenda Filed(Month/				ndment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Ta	ble I - Non	-Derivative	Secu	rities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code	omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of		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)	
Common shares without par value	02/15/2006		M	14,113	A	\$ 33.2314	79,903	D		
Common shares without par value	02/15/2006		F	11,754	D	\$ 43.73	68,149	D		
Common shares without par value	02/15/2006		S	339	D	\$ 44.07	67,810	D		

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Common shares without par value	10,903 (1)	I	Profit Sharing Trust
Common shares without par value	346 (2) (3)	I	By self for son
Common shares without par value	284 (2) (3)	I	By self for son
Common shares without par value	290 (2) (3)	I	By self for son

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 Derivativ Security (Instr. 3)	ve Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number orDerivative Securities (A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4	Acquired sposed of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Sha
Option (right to buy) (4)	o \$33.2314	02/15/2006		M		14,113	02/14/2006	02/13/2013	common shares	14,1
Option (right to buy) (4)	o \$43.73	02/15/2006		A	11,754		08/16/2006	02/13/2013	common shares	11,7

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiationsnips						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

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NEMMERS JOSEPH M 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400 Executive Vice President

## **Signatures**

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Joseph M. Nemmers

02/16/2006

\*\*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 February 15, 2006.
- (2) Reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his sons.
- (3) Includes shares acquired under the Abbott Laboratories Dividend Investment and Stock Purchase Plan in transactions exempt from Section 16(b) under Rule 16(a)-11.
- (4) 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.

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