#### **ABBOTT LABORATORIES**

Form 4 March 28, 2006

## FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

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*See* Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

LEIDEN JEFFREY M			Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]				]	Issuer			
							ABT]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle)  100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/24/2006					_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President and COO			
(Street) ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				<i>1</i> - -	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)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative S	ecurit	ies Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		ed Date, if	3.	4. Securities our Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	es Acq d of (E	uired (A)		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common shares without par value	03/24/2006			F	91,846	D	\$ 43.68	309,401	D		
Common shares without par value	03/24/2006			D	100,000	D	\$ 0	209,401	D		
Common shares without par value								635 (1)	I	Profit Sharing Trust	

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	e and	8. Price of	
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transact	ionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	
	Derivative				Securities	1		(Instr.	3 and 4)		
	Security				Acquired						
					(A) or						
					Disposed						
					of (D)						
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title Nu			
									of		
				Code V	I (A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting Owner Paulie / Pauliess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LEIDEN JEFFREY M 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400	X		President and COO				

### **Signatures**

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Jeffrey M. Leiden 03/28/2006

\*\*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 March 24, 2006.

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