### **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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A LINDER G	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]					_	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer					
(Last) (First) (Middle)				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)					(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner			
100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD			07/30/2	07/30/2012					_X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Vice President			
				f Amendment, Date Original ad(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
ABBOTT P	PARK, IL 6006	4-6400							Form filed by N Form filed by N Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - No	n-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	ar) Execution	med on Date, if Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)		of (D)	Securities Ownership Inc Beneficially Form: Direct Be Owned (D) or Ox		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
Common				Code	V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)			
shares without par value	07/30/2012			M		14,991	A	\$ 52.55	142,541	D		
Common shares without par value	07/30/2012			M		5,565	A	\$ 52.49	148,106	D		
Common shares without par value	07/30/2012			F		18,043	D	\$ 66.39	130,063	D		

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Common			Profit
shares	4,054 (1)	T	
without par	4,034 (1)	1	sharing
value			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 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)	ionDerivative Expiration Date Securities Acquired (Month/Day/Year)		ransactionDerivative ode Securities Acquistr. 8) (A) or Dispose (D)		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and A	Securit
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 52.55	07/30/2012		M		14,991	07/30/2007	02/19/2014	Common shares	14,9
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 52.49	07/30/2012		M		5,565	08/21/2007	02/19/2014	Common shares	5,5
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 66.39	07/30/2012		A	18,043		01/31/2013	02/19/2014	Common shares	18,0

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
LINDER GREG W 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Vice President				
Signatures							
John A. Berry, by power of attorne Linder	y for Greg	W.	08/01/20	12			
**Signature of Reporting Pers	son		Date				

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# **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 July 30, 2012.
- (2) 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 under Rule 16b-3.

#### **Remarks:**

These transactions were made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c).

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