ABBOTT LABORATORIES

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Michael Edward L	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last) (First) (Middle)	ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)				
100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD	(Month/Day/Year) 07/15/2008	Director 10% Owner Self-up of the control of the contr				
(Street) ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/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)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficia					

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative Secur	rities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities A r(A) or Dispose (Instr. 3, 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 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)
Common shares without par	07/15/2008		Code V	Amount (D) 1,973 D	Price \$ 56.22	144,122	D	
value								

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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					(A) or						Repo
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					4, and 5)						
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						Excicisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Director 10% Owner Other

Michael Edward L Executive 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD Vice ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400 President

Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Edward L.

Michael 07/17/2008

> **Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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