ABBOTT LABORATORIES

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Chen Thomas F		Symbol					Issuer				
			ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/29/2008					Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President			
(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)	Tabl	e I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction I (Month/Day/Ye	ear) Execution		Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	ed of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Common shares without par value	02/29/2008			F	2,683	D	\$ 54.22	85,279	D		
Common shares without par value								17,534 (1)	I	Profit sharing trust	
Common shares without par value								23,798 (2)	I	By wife	

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Common

By self for shares $2,476 \frac{(2)}{}$ Ι daughter without par value

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. ionNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	5	ate	7. Title Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
			Code V	' (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

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

Chen Thomas F Senior 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD Vice ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400 President

Signatures

Deborah K. Koenen, by power of attorney for Thomas F. 03/04/2008 Chen

> **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).
- Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of February 29, 2008. **(1)**
- The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his wife and daughter.

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Remarks:

This transaction was made pursuant to a previously adopted plan complying with Rule 10b5-1(c). The plan was adopted on January Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.