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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Patton Don	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(Month	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2008				(Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President			
			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) Ta	ble I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) Common shares without par value	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2008		Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securioror Dispo (Instr. 3, Amount	esed of 4 and (A) or		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	03/03/2008		F	2,003	D	\$ 53.55	72,282	D	
Common shares without par value							12,655 <u>(1)</u>	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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. NumborDerivati Securitic Acquire Dispose (Instr. 3,	es ed (A) or ed of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 42.4978	03/03/2008		M		2,330	02/12/2002	02/11/2009	common shares	2,330
Option (right to buy) (2)	\$ 53.55	03/03/2008		A	2,003		09/04/2008	02/11/2009	common shares	2,003

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
<u>.</u>	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Patton Donald V JR			Senior				
100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD			Vice				
ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			President				

Signatures

Deborah K. Koenen, by power of attorney for Donald V. Patton, Jr. 03/05/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** 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 3, 2008.
- (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.

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Remarks:

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