

ABBOTT LABORATORIES  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
LINDER GREG W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD

(Street)

ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

03/22/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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)		
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price		
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012		M		12,677	A	\$ 52.55	169,558	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012		M		10,630	A	\$ 56.3	180,188	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012		M		13,548	A	\$ 58.71	193,736	D

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Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	M	1,851	A	\$ 54.74	195,587	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	600	D	\$ 60.055	194,987	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	1,000	D	\$ 60.06	193,987	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	400	D	\$ 60.065	193,587	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	2,300	D	\$ 60.07	191,287	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	200	D	\$ 60.075	191,087	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	1,308	D	\$ 60.08	189,779	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	300	D	\$ 60.085	189,479	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	2,000	D	\$ 60.09	187,479	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	18,942	D	\$ 60.1	168,537	D
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	100	D	\$ 60.105	168,437	D
	03/22/2012	S	3,584	D	\$ 60.11	164,853	D

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Common shares without par value									
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	400	D	\$ 60.115	164,453	D		
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	2,572	D	\$ 60.12	161,881	D		
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	300	D	\$ 60.125	161,581	D		
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	2,000	D	\$ 60.13	159,581	D		
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	1,000	D	\$ 60.135	158,581	D		
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	1,100	D	\$ 60.14	157,481	D		
Common shares without par value	03/22/2012	S	600	D	\$ 60.1425	156,881	D		
Common shares without par value						4,021 <sup>(1)</sup>	I		Profit Sharing Trust

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**  
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 52.55	03/22/2012		M	12,677	07/30/2007 02/13/2013	Common shares	12,677
Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 56.3	03/22/2012		M	10,630	02/10/2008 02/13/2013	Common shares	10,630
Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 58.71	03/22/2012		M	13,548	02/07/2009 02/13/2013	Common shares	13,548
Option (right to buy) <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 54.74	03/22/2012		M	1,851	08/26/2009 02/13/2013	Common shares	1,851

## 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 attorney for Greg W. Linder  
03/23/2012

\*\*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 21, 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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