

ABBOTT LABORATORIES

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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 *
Fiorentino Edward J

(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)

08/16/2006

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)

Senior 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	08/16/2006		M		2,875	A	\$ 34.7727
Common shares without par value	08/16/2006		M		5,553	A	\$ 39.9228
Common shares without par value	08/16/2006		M		2,831	A	\$ 43.9874

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Common shares without par value	08/16/2006	M	2,653	A	\$ 40.74	114,081	D	
Common shares without par value	08/16/2006	M	20,005	A	\$ 33.2314	134,086	D	
Common shares without par value	08/16/2006	F	28,081	D	\$ 48.66	106,005	D	
Common shares without par value						9,561 ⁽¹⁾	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)

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)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 34.7727	08/16/2006		M			2,875	02/13/2001 02/12/2008	common shares 2,875
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 39.9228	08/16/2006		M			5,553	03/06/2001 02/13/2007	common shares 5,553
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 43.9874	08/16/2006		M			2,831	09/15/2001 02/13/2007	common shares 2,831
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 40.74	08/16/2006		M			2,653	06/24/2006 02/13/2007	common shares 2,653

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Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 33.2314	08/16/2006	M	20,005	02/14/2006	02/13/2013	common shares	20,0
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 48.66	08/16/2006	A	2,054	02/17/2007	02/12/2008	common shares	2,0
Option (right to buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 48.66	08/16/2006	A	16,165	02/17/2007	02/13/2013	common shares	16,1

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Fiorentino Edward J 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Senior Vice President	

Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Edward J.
Fiorentino

08/18/2006

**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 August 16, 2006
 - (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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