

ABBOTT LABORATORIES  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
FULLER H LAURANCE

(Last) (First) (Middle)

PRIMACY BUSINESS  
CENTER, 2020 CALAMOS  
COURT, SUITE 200

(Street)

NAPERVILLE, IL 60563

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

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

03/19/2012

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)

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		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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)			
Common shares without par value	03/19/2012		M		5,211	A	\$ 50.6506	24,814	D
Common shares without par value	03/19/2012		M		7,374	A	\$ 37.4229	32,188	D
Common shares without par value	03/19/2012		M		6,699	A	\$ 41.2	38,887	D

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par value

Common shares without par value

03/19/2012 S 10,800 D \$ 60.3 28,087 D

Common shares without par value

03/19/2012 S 100 D \$ 60.3003 27,987 D

Common shares without par value

03/19/2012 S 5,055 D \$ 60.301 22,932 D

Common shares without par value

03/19/2012 S 1,229 D \$ 60.31 21,703 D

Common shares without par value

03/19/2012 S 2,100 D \$ 60.32 19,603 D

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)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 50.6506	03/19/2012		M	5,211	04/26/2002 04/25/2012	Common shares	5,211
	\$ 37.4229	03/19/2012		M	7,374	04/25/2003 04/24/2013		7,374

Option (right to buy) <u>(1)</u>								Common shares	
Option (right to buy) <u>(1)</u>	\$ 41.2	03/19/2012		M	6,699	04/23/2004	04/22/2014	Common shares	6,699

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FULLER H LAURANCE PRIMACY BUSINESS CENTER 2020 CALAMOS COURT, SUITE 200 NAPERVILLE, IL 60563	X			

## Signatures

John A. Berry, by Power of Attorney for H. Laurance  
Fuller

03/21/2012

\_\_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) 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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