

ABBOTT LABORATORIES  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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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 *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â Warmuth Michael J		(Month/Day/Year)	ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
		12/15/2008		
100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD			(Check all applicable)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
(Street)			<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
			(give title below) (specify below)	
			Senior Vice President	
ABBOTT				
PARK,Â ILÂ 60064-6400				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common shares without par value	34,979	D	Â
Common shares without par value	23 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Profit Sharing Trust
Common shares without par value	72 <sup>(2)</sup>	I	Held by spouse

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

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	(Instr. 5)
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/12/2001	02/11/2009	Common shares	844	\$ 42.5	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/12/2002	02/11/2009	Common shares	2,353	\$ 42.5	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/11/2003	02/10/2010	Common shares	3,065	\$ 32.61	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/09/2002	02/08/2011	Common shares	3,724	\$ 45.45	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/09/2003	02/08/2011	Common shares	3,723	\$ 45.45	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/09/2004	02/08/2011	Common shares	1,525	\$ 45.45	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/09/2003	02/08/2011	Common shares	1	\$ 45.45	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/09/2004	02/08/2011	Common shares	2,199	\$ 45.45	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/15/2003	02/14/2012	Common shares	4,788	\$ 53.63	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/15/2004	02/14/2012	Common shares	4,788	\$ 53.63	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/15/2005	02/14/2012	Common shares	2,897	\$ 53.63	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/15/2005	02/14/2012	Common shares	1,890	\$ 53.63	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/14/2005	02/13/2013	Common shares	2,532	\$ 33.23	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/14/2006	02/13/2013	Common shares	3,229	\$ 33.23	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/14/2004	02/13/2013	Common shares	1	\$ 33.23	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/14/2006	02/13/2013	Common shares	3,049	\$ 33.23	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/20/2005	02/19/2014	Common shares	5,285	\$ 41.03	D	Â
Option (right to buy) <u>(3)</u>	02/20/2006	02/19/2014	Common shares	5,284	\$ 41.03	D	Â



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- (2) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his spouse.
- (3) Employee stock options 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:**

Form 1 of 2 ^ ^ DerivativeTable

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