

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**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
FREYMAN THOMAS C

(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)

02/15/2013

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)

Executive 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 or Price			
Common shares without par value	02/15/2013		A		57,500 <sup>(1)</sup>	A	\$ 0 331,048	D
Common shares without par value	02/19/2013		F		15,024	D	\$ 35.08 316,024	D
Common shares without par value							4,000 <sup>(2)</sup>	I
								Annette Newton-Freyman 1994 Trust

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Common share without par value	76,000 <sup>(3)</sup>	I	Annette Newton-Freyman 2012 Irrevocable Trust
Common shares without par value	76,000 <sup>(4)</sup>	I	Thomas C. Freyman 2012 Irrevocable Trust
Common shares without par value	1,057 <sup>(5)</sup>	I	Profit Sharing Trust
Common shares without par value	1,941 <sup>(6)</sup>	I	By daughter
Common shares without par value	1,941 <sup>(7)</sup>	I	By spouse as trustee for son
Common shares without par value	1,941 <sup>(7)</sup>	I	By spouse as trustee for son

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)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount of Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) <sup>(8)</sup>	\$ 34.94	02/15/2013		A	299,300	02/15/2014 02/14/2023	Common shares 299,300

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FREYMAN THOMAS C 100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064-6400			Executive Vice President	

## Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for Thomas C.  
Freyman

02/20/2013

\_\_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) These shares represent performance vested restricted stock awards under the Abbott Laboratories 2009 Incentive Stock Program. The awards have a 5-year term, with no more than 1/3 of the award vesting in any one year upon Abbott reaching a minimum return on equity target. The awards include the right to have stock withheld for tax purposes.
  - (2) Held in the Annette Newton-Freyman 1994 Trust. The reporting person's spouse is trustee of the trust. The trust is revocable by his spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
  - (3) Held in the Annette Newton-Freyman 2012 Irrevocable Trust. The reporting person is trustee of the trust. The trust is irrevocable by the reporting person's spouse. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
  - (4) Held in the Thomas C. Freyman 2012 Irrevocable Trust. The reporting person's spouse is trustee of the trust. The trust is irrevocable by the reporting person.
  - (5) Balance in the Abbott Laboratories Stock Retirement Trust as of February 15, 2013.
  - (6) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his daughter.
  - (7) These shares are held in an irrevocable trust for the benefit of the reporting person's son. The reporting person's spouse is trustee of the trust. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities.
- (8) Employee stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 2009 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 99,767 on 2/15/2014, 99,766 on 2/15/2015, and 99,767 on 2/15/2016.

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