

ABBOTT LABORATORIES
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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 *
WALTER JOHN R

(Last) (First) (Middle)
401 AHWAHNEE ROAD
(Street)
LAKE FOREST, IL 60045
(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/22/2006

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)

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)
Common shares without par value	09/22/2006		M	1,870 A	\$ 23.2319 28,472	D	
Common shares without par value	09/22/2006		M	1,796 A	\$ 24.1999 30,268	D	
Common shares without par value					4,590 ⁽¹⁾	I	By wife

Common shares without par value 400 ⁽¹⁾ I By daughter (2)

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. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	\$ 23.2319	09/22/2006		M		1,870		09/30/1996	09/29/2006	Common shares	1,870
Option (right to buy) ⁽³⁾	\$ 24.1999	09/22/2006		M		1,796		12/31/1996	12/30/2006	Common shares	1,796

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WALTER JOHN R 401 AHWAHNEE ROAD LAKE FOREST, IL 60045		X		

Signatures

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for John R. Walter 09/26/2006

 **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) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities held by his wife and daughter.
- (2) By wife as custodian for minor daughter under the Uniform Gifts to Minor Act.
- (3) Stock option granted pursuant to the Abbott Laboratories 1996 Incentive Stock Program.

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