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ABB LTD  
Form 6-K  
October 16, 2002

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549  
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FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of: October 2002

ABB Ltd  
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

N/A  
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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Switzerland  
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(Jurisdiction of organization)

P.O. Box 8131, Affolternstrasse 44, CH-8050, Zurich, Switzerland  
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(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, international: + 011-41-1-317-7111  
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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports  
under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information  
contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the  
Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes  No   
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If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in  
connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-  
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This Form 6-K consists of the following:

1. Notification of ABB Ltd (the "Company"), dated October 16, 2002, in  
connection with Putnam Investment Management, LLC's holdings of the  
Company.

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Notification

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Putnam Investment Management's holdings in ABB fall below 5 Percent

Zurich, October 16, 2002 - Pursuant to Art. 20 of stock exchange act, Putnam Investment Management, LLC, 1 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109, one of the largest U.S. asset management companies, announced that, as per October 10, 2002, it holds for its clients a total of 58,466,298 registered shares of ABB Ltd, Zurich. This corresponds to 4.87 percent of total capital and voting rights.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

ABB LTD

Date: October 16, 2002

By:/s/ BEAT HESS

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Name: Beat Hess

Title: Group Senior Officer

By:/s/ HANS ENHORNING

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Name: Hans Enhorning

Title: Group Vice President

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