#### ABBOTT LABORATORIES

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement ABBOTT LABORATORIES [ABT]  **FARRELL W JAMES** (Month/Day/Year) 01/16/2006 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group (Check all applicable) Filing(Check Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner Person Â Officer Other Form filed by More than One (give title below) (specify below) Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4) Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Â Common shares without par value 0 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 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 (Instr. 5)
	Date	Expiration	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security:	
	Exercisable	Date		Number of Shares		Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	

(Instr. 5)

#### **Reporting Owners**

## **Signatures**

John A. Berry, by power of attorney for W. James Farrell

01/24/2006

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).
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