FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* Schumacher Laura J (Last) (First) (Middle) | | | | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AbbVie Inc. [ABBV] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/18/2021 | | | | | | | | | k all applic Director | able) r (give title | - | g Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below) | | |
|---|--|--|--|------------------|---|---|--------|--|--|-------------------------|-------------------------|---|---|---------------------|---|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|--|
| (Street) NORTH CHICAGO | JKEGAN R IL (Sta | ette) (. | 50064 Zip) | | 4. If | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | | | | | ndividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable e) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tran | | | | 2. Trans Date | action | | | quired, Disposed of, or 3. Transaction Code (Instr.)) 8 | | es Acquir | quired (A) or | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership | | | |
| | | | | | | | (, | | Code | v | Amount | (A) o | r _{Pr} | rice | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | | | (Instr. 4) | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | | | | | 3/2021 | /2021 | | Α | | 28,8320 | (1) A | | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 206,373 | | | D | | | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value | | | | | /2021 | | | A | | 8,479(2 | 2) A | | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 214 | 1,852 | | D | | | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 02/1 | | | | | 3/2021 | /2021 | | A | | 11,136 ⁽³⁾ A | | | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 225,988 | | D | | | | |
| Common Stock, \$0.01 par value 02/1 | | | | 02/18 | 3/2021 | /2021 | | | A | | 17,468 ⁽⁴⁾ A | | \$ <mark>0</mark> | 243,456 | | | D | | | |
| | 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. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da | Date, | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | | n of | | 6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea | | е | 7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4) | | urity | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4) | e (s l ally l g (| 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| | | | | | Code | v | (A) | | Date Exercisa | | Expiration Date | Title | or | ount nber res | | | | | | |
| Option(right to buy) ⁽⁵⁾ | \$105.92 | 02/18/2021 | | | A | | 65,217 | | 02/18/20 |)22 | 02/17/2031 | Common | 65, | 217 | \$0 | 65,21 | 7 | D | | |

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Represents shares of AbbVie common stock issued under a performance share award granted to the reporting person on February 15, 2018. The award is subject to performance-vesting restrictions based on earnings per share and relative total shareholder return. The performance-vesting restrictions with respect to these shares were released on the date reported in Column 2 above upon certification of performance goal attainment by the Compensation Committee of AbbVie's Board of Directors. The shares will be issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2021.
- 2. Represents shares of AbbVie common stock issued under a performance vesting restricted stock unit award granted to the reporting person on February 15, 2018. The award is subject to performance-vesting restrictions based on a relative return on equity measure. The performance-vesting restrictions with respect to these shares were released on the date reported in Column 2 above upon certification of performance goal attainment by the Compensation Committee of AbbVie's Board of Directors. The shares will be issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2021.
- 3. Represents shares of AbbVie common stock issued under a performance vesting restricted stock unit award granted to the reporting person on February 21, 2019. The award is subject to performance-vesting restrictions based on a relative return on equity measure. The performance-vesting restrictions with respect to these shares were released on the date reported in Column 2 above upon certification of performance goal attainment by the Compensation Committee of AbbVie's Board of Directors. The shares will be issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2021.
- 4. Represents shares of AbbVie common stock issued under a performance vesting restricted stock unit award granted to the reporting person on February 20, 2020. The award is subject to performance-vesting restrictions based on a relative return on equity measure. The performance-vesting restrictions with respect to these shares were released on the date reported in Column 2 above upon certification of performance goal attainment by the Compensation Committee of AbbVie's Board of Directors. The shares will be issued to the reporting person on February 28, 2021.
- 5. Employee stock option granted pursuant to the AbbVie 2013 Incentive Stock Program in a transaction exempt from Section 16 under Rule 16b-3. The option becomes exercisable in annual increments of 21,739 on February 18, 2022 21,739 on February 18, 2023, and 21,739 on February 18, 2024.

Steven L. Scrogham, attorneyin-fact for Laura J. Schumacher

02/22/2021

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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