



ABBOTT LABORATORIES BETTER GOVERNMENT FUND
Abbott Park, North Chicago, Illinois 60064

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FEDERAL ELECTION
COMMISSION
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February 7, 1997

Federal Election Commission
999 E. Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

RE: ID # C00040279

Attached is the Month-end Report of Receipts and Disbursements, covering period
01/01/97 - 01/31/97 of the Abbott Laboratories Better Government Fund.

Sincerely,

C. A. Stasiak
Treasurer, ALBGF

cc:	C. Babington	D383 AP6D
	M. E. Barmak	D324 AP6D
	K. Greisman	D324 AP6D
	D. Johnson	D383 AP6D
	D. Landside	Washington

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**REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
For Other Than An Authorized Committee
(SUMMARY PAGE)**

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
1111 BROAD

FEB 14 11 31 AM '97

1. NAME OF COMMITTEE (in full)
ABBOTT LABS BETTER GOVT FUND

ADDRESS (number and street) Check if different than previously reported
100 ABBOTT PARK ROAD D-312 AP6D/2
CITY, STATE and ZIP CODE
ABBOTT PARK, IL 60064

2. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER
C00040279

3. This committee has qualified as a multicandidate committee (see FEC FORM 1M)

4. TYPE OF REPORT

(a) April 15 Quarterly
 July 15 Quarterly Report
 October 15 Quarterly Report
 January 31 Year End Report
 July 31 Mid Year Report (Non-election Year Only)
 Termination Report

Monthly Report Due On:
XX February 20 June 20 October 20
 March 20 July 20 November 20
 April 20 August 20 December 20
 May 20 September 20 January 31

 Twelfth day report preceding _____
(Type of Election)
election on _____ in the State of _____

 Thirtieth day report following General Election on _____
in the State of _____

(b) Is this Report an Amendment? YES XX NO

SUMMARY


COLUMN A **COLUMN B**
This Period Calendar Year-to-Date

5. Covering Period	01-01-97	through	01-31-97		
6. (a) Cash on Hand January 1, 1997.....				XXXXXXXXXX	\$ 16,417.36
(b) Cash on Hand at Beginning of Reporting Period.....	\$ 16,417.36			XXXXXXXXXX	
(c) Total Receipts (from Line 19).....	\$ 7,959.77				\$ 7,959.77
(d) Subtotal (add Lines 6(b) and 6(c) for Column A and Lines 6(a) and 6(c) for Column B).....	\$ 24,377.13				\$ 24,377.13
7. Total Disbursements (from Line 30).....	\$ 6,510.00				\$ 6,510.00
8. Cash on Hand at Close of Reporting Period (subtract Line 7 from Line 6(d))	\$ 17,867.13				\$ 17,867.13
9. Debts and Obligations Owed TO the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D).....	\$ 0.00				
10. Debts and Obligations Owed BY the Committee (Itemize all on Schedule C and/or Schedule D).....	\$ 0.00				

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I certify that I have examined this Report and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer
C. A. STASIEK

Signature of Treasurer


Date
2/7/97

NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this report to the penalties of 2 U.S.C. §437g.

DETAILED SUMMARY PAGE
 OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
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(revised 1/1/91)

NAME OF COMMITTEE ABBOTT LABS BETTER GOVT FUND	Report Covering Period	
	From 01-01-97	To 01-31-97
	COLUMN A	COLUMN B
	Total This Period	Calendar Year
I. RECEIPTS		
11. Contributions (other than loans) From:		
a. Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees		
i. Itemized (use Schedule A).....	1,051.10	1,051.10
ii. Unitemized.....	6,907.57	6,907.57
iii. Total.....(add i and ii) >	7,958.67	7,958.67
b. Political Party Committees.....	0.00	0.00
c. Other Political Committees (such as PACs).....	0.00	0.00
d. Total Contributions.....(add a iii, b and c) >	7,958.67	7,958.67
12. Transfers From Affiliated/Other Party Committees.....	0.00	0.00
13. All Loans Received.....	0.00	0.00
14. Loan Repayments Received.....	0.00	0.00
15. Offsets to Operating Expenditures (Refunds, Rebates, etc.).....	0.00	0.00
16. Refunds of Contributions Made to Fed. Candidates Other Pol. Com...	0.00	0.00
17. Other Federal Receipts (Dividends, Interest, etc.).....	1.10	1.10
18. Transfers from Nonfederal Account for Joint Activity.....	0.00	0.00
19. Total Receipts.....(add 11d, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18) >	7,959.77	7,959.77
20. Total Federal Receipts.....(subtract line 18 from line 19) >	7,959.77	7,959.77
II. DISBURSEMENTS		
21. Operating Expenditures:		
a. Shared Federal/Non-Federal Activity (from Schedule H4)		
i. Federal Share.....	0.00	0.00
ii. Non-Federal Share.....	0.00	0.00
b. Other Federal Operating Expenditures.....	0.00	0.00
c. Total Operating Expenditures.....(Add a i, a ii, and b) >	0.00	0.00
22. Transfers to Affiliated/Other Party Committees.....	0.00	0.00
23. Contributions to Federal Candidates and Other Political Com.....	6,500.00	6,500.00
24. Independent Expenditures (use Schedule E).....	0.00	0.00
25. Coordinated Expenditures by Party Com.(2 U.S.C.441a(d))(Sch. F)...	0.00	0.00
26. Loan Repayments Made.....	0.00	0.00
27. Loans Made.....	0.00	0.00
28. Refunds of Contributions To:		
a. Individuals/Persons Other Than Political Committees.....	0.00	0.00
b. Political Party Committees.....	0.00	0.00
c. Other Political Committees (such as PACs).....	0.00	0.00
d. Total Contribution Refunds.....(Add a, b and c) >	0.00	0.00
29. Other Disbursements.....	10.00	10.00
30. Total Disbursements.....(add 21c,22,23,24,25,26,27,28d, and 29) >	6,510.00	6,510.00
31. Total Federal Disbursements.....(subtract line 21 a ii from line 30) >	6,510.00	6,510.00
III. NET CONTRIBUTIONS/OPERATING EXPENDITURES		
32. Total Contributions (other than loans)(from line 11d).....	7,958.67	7,958.67
33. Total Contributions Refunds (from line 28d).....	0.00	0.00
34. Net Contributions (other than loans)(subtract line 33 from 32)....	7,958.67	7,958.67
35. Total Federal Operating Expenditures.....(add 21 a i and 21 b) >	0.00	0.00
36. Offsets to Operating Expenditures (from line 15).....	0.00	0.00
37. Net Operating Expenditures.....(subtract Line 36 from 35) >	0.00	0.00

ITEMIZED RECEIPTS
 (Contributions from Individuals/
 Persons Other Than Political Committees)

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)
 ABBOTT LABS BETTER GOVT FUND

C00040279

Full Name, Mailing Address and ZIP Code	Name of Employer Occupation Aggregate Year-to-Date	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Receipt this Period
COUGHLIN, GARY P. 1135 CENTRAL ROAD GLENVIEW, IL 60025	ABBOTT LABORATORIES EXECUTIVE OFFICER Aggregate Year-to-date>	01-31-97	250.96 \$250.96
HODGSON, THOMAS R. 1015 ASHLEY RD LAKE FOREST, IL 60045	ABBOTT LABORATORIES EXECUTIVE OFFICER Aggregate Year-to-date>	01-31-97	358.78 \$358.78
KRINGEL, JOHN G. 366 BLUFFS EDGE DR LAKE FOREST, IL 60045	ABBOTT LABORATORIES CORPORATE OFFICER Aggregate Year-to-date>	01-31-97	222.12 \$222.12
PARKINSON JR, R L 1352 EDGEWOOD LN NORTHBROOK, IL 60062	ABBOTT LABORATORIES CORPORATE OFFICER Aggregate Year-to-date>	01-31-97	219.24 \$219.24

SUBTOTAL of Receipts This Page (Optional).....> \$1,051.10
 TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only).....> \$1,051.10

SCHEDULE B

ITEMIZED DISBURSEMENTS
(Contributions to Federal Candidates/
Committees and Other Political Committees)

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NAME OF COMMITTEE (in Full)
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Full Name, Mailing Address and Zip Code	Purpose of Disbursement	Disburse. For:	Date (month, day, year)	Amount of Each Disbursement This Period
CANNON, CHRIS P.O. BOX 711 PROVO, UT 84603	CHRIS CANNON U.S. HOUSE REP 3RD DISTRICT - UTAH 1998 Aggregate Year to date: \$500.00	Primary	1998 01-15-97	500.00
FRIENDS OF MIKE DEVINE P.O. BOX 340188 COLUMBUS, OH 43234	MIKE DEVINE - US SENATE OHIO 2000 Aggregate Year to date: \$1,000.00	Primary	2000 01-15-97	1,000.00
DODD, CHRIS 203 C STREET, NE WASHINGTON, DC 20002	CHRIS DODD - US SENATE CONNECTICUT - 1998 Aggregate Year to date: \$1,000.00	Primary	1998 01-15-97	1,000.00
THE JUDD GREGG COMMITTEE P.O. BOX 1812 CONCORD, NH 03302	JUDD GREGG - U.S. SENATE NEW HAMPSHIRE 1998 Aggregate Year to date: \$1,000.00	Primary	1998 01-15-97	1,000.00
HAGEL, CHUCK P.O. BOX 540621 OMAHA, NE 68154	CHUCK HAGEL - US SENATE NEBRASKA - 2002 Aggregate Year to date: \$1,000.00	Primary	2002 01-15-97	1,000.00
SPECTER, ARLEN 900 SECOND STREET, NE SUITE 306 WASHINGTON, DC 20002	ARLEN SPECTER-U. S. SENATE PENNSYLVANIA 1998 Aggregate Year to date: \$1,000.00	Primary	1998 01-15-97	1,000.00
TORRICELLI, ROBERT 1300 CONNECTICUT AVENUE, NW SUITE 600 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	ROBERT TORRICELLI-US HOUSE REP NEW JERSEY 2002 Aggregate Year to date: \$1,000.00	Primary	2002 01-15-97	1,000.00
SUBTOTAL of Disbursements This Page (optional).....>				\$6,500.00
TOTAL This Period (last page this line number only).....>				\$6,500.00

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