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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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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 * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading LATAIF LOUIS E Issuer Symbol ABIOMED INC [ABMD] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O ABIOMED, INC., 22 CHERRY 08/13/2008 below) HILL DRIVE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DANVERS, MA 01923 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of TransactionAcquired (A) or Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common

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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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 o Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 10.01					09/29/2006(2)	09/29/2015	Common Stock	25,000
Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 13.21					08/08/2007(3)	08/09/2016	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Option (right to buy) (1)	\$ 12.69					08/13/2008(3)	08/08/2017	Common Stock	8,000
Stock Options (right to buy) (4)	\$ 18.63	08/13/2008		A	12,000	08/12/2009(3)	08/13/2018	Common Stock	12,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
Fg	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
LATAIF LOUIS E C/O ABIOMED, INC. 22 CHERRY HILL DRIVE DANVERS, MA 01923	X					
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Signatures

/s/ Daniel J. Sutherby (by power of attorney)

**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) Grant to reporting person of option to buy shares of Common Stock under the ABIOMED, Inc. 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.

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- (2) These options become exercisable in annual 20% increments commencing on the date shown in Table II, Column 6.
- (3) This option becomes exercisable in full on the date set forth in Table II, Column 6.
- (4) Grant to reporting person of option to buy the number of shares of Common Stock set forth in Table II, Column 7, under the ABIOMED, Inc. 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.

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