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* MAC MAHON THOMAS P					LA	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA								(Ch	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) X Director 10% Owner				
(Last) 430 SOU	` ' ' '				3. D	HOLDINGS [LH] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2006									X Offici	er (give title w)		(specify	
(Street) BURLIN (City)	BURLINGTON NC 27215					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							Line) <mark>X</mark> Forr Forr	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person				
		Та	ole I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Sec	curitie	s Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or I	Bene	ficiall	y Own	ed			
Dat				Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) 4. Securities Disposed O 5)						Secur Benef Owne	icially d Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	Amount (A) or (D)		Price		ted action(s) 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock ⁽¹⁾					/2006			F		18,367		D	\$55	18	4,253 ⁽²⁾	D			
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversio or Exercis: Price of Derivative Security			ion Date, Tr		action (Instr.	Str. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) Date Expiration Date Date		e ar)	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. and 4) Amoun or Numbe of		unt ber	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Stock withholding to satisfy tax and withholding obligations.
- 2. Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.

By: /s/ BRADFORD T.

SMITH, Attorney-in-Fact for 01/11/2006
Thomas P. Mac Mahon

** 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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