FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Hayes William B</u>					LA	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA  HOLDINGS [ LH ]									neck all D	ship of Reportir applicable) irector	10%	Owner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 531 SOUTH SPRING STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2009									A b	Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  Chief Financial Officer, EVP			
(Street) BURLINGTON NC 27215 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Lir	e) <mark>X</mark> F	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person			
		Та	ble I - No	n-Deriv	ative	Se	curitie	es Acc	quired,	Dis	posed o	f, or	Ben	eficia	lly Ow	ned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transar Date (Month/Da					ar)	Execution	a. Deemed ecution Date, any onth/Day/Year)				ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			d Se Be Ov	Amount of curities neficially rned Following ported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount (A)		A) or D)	Price	Tra	nsaction(s) str. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 02/13/				3/2009	/2009		F <sup>(1)</sup>		718		D	\$62.	42	26,286(2)	D				
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## 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.

## Remarks:

/s/ F. Samuel Eberts III

02/17/2009

\*\* 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).
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