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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

OCTOBER 4,2002

(Date of earliest event reported)

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 1-11353 13-3757370

(State or other (Commission (IRS Employer jurisdiction of File Number) Identification incorporation)

Number)

358 SOUTH MAIN STREET, BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA 27215

(Address of principal executive offices)

336-229-1127

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

ITEM 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.

Laboratory Corporation of America -Registered Trademark-Holdings (LabCorp -Registered Trademark-)(NYSE:LH) announced that Thomas P.Mac Mahon, chairman and chief executive officer, is scheduled to speak at the UBS Warburg Global Life Sciences Conference on October 7, 2002 at 3:30 p.m. Eastern Time. A live audio webcast of the presentation will be available via the company website at www.labcorp.com. A replay of the audio webcast will begin three hours following the actual presentation and will be available through November 10, 2002.

Each of the above forward-looking statements is subject to change based on various important factors, including without limitation, competitive actions in the marketplace and adverse actions of governmental and other third-party payors. Further information on potential factors that could affect LabCorp's financial results is included in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 and subsequent SEC filings.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS
(Registrant)

By:/s/ BRADFORD T. SMITH

Bradford T. Smith Executive Vice President and Secretary

Date:October 4, 2002