FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			or Section 30(ii) or the investment company Act or 1340			
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  ELINGBURG WESLEY R  (Last) (First) (Middle)  430 SOUTH SPRING STREET			Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol     LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA     HOLDINGS [ LH ]  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/15/2005		tionship of Reporting Person at all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) EVP & Chief Finance	10% Owner Other (specify below)
(Street) BURLINGTON (City)	NC (State)	27215 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filing Form filed by One Repo Form filed by More than Person	rting Person

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				I (A) or . 3, 4 and	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/15/2005		F		19,992	D	\$46.6	83,345.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		446	D	\$46.43	82,899.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		26	D	\$46.42	82,873.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		131	D	\$46.41	82,742.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		314	D	\$46.4	82,428.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		52	D	\$46.38	82,376.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		52	D	\$46.35	82,324.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		105	D	\$46.34	82,219.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		183	D	\$46.32	82,036.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		288	D	\$46.31	81,748.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		105	D	\$46.3	81,643.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		78	D	\$46.29	81,565.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		52	D	\$46.28	81,513.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		52	D	\$46.27	81,461.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		78	D	\$46.26	81,383.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		183	D	\$46.25	81,200.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		52	D	\$46.24	81,148.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		78	D	\$46.23	81,070.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		52	D	\$46.22	81,018.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		602	D	\$46.21	80,416.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		4,786	D	\$46.2	75,630.6492 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		915	D	\$46.18	74,715.6492 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		288	D	\$46.06	74,427.6492 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		942	D	\$46.05	73,485.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		26	D	\$46.02	73,459.6492 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		445	D	\$46.01	73,014.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		2,014	D	\$46	71,000.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		758	D	\$45.95	70,242.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		105	D	\$45.92	70,137.6492(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(3)</sup>	03/15/2005		S		157	D	\$45.91	69,980.6492(2)	D	

		Та	able II - Deriva (e.g., p				•	ired, Disp options, o	•			-			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Derivative Conversion Date Gecurity or Exercise (Mor		3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative 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 of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

## **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.
- 3. Pursuant to a plan in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

## Remarks:

By: /s/ BRADFORD T.

SMITH, Attorney-in-Fact for 03/17/2005
Wesley R. Elingburg

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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