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* LAI GOLDMAN MYLA						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 430 SOUTH SPRING STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/23/2006								below) below) EVP & Chief Medical Officer					
(Street) BURLINGTON NC 27215					4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(S		(Zip)	on-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Benef									neficial	icially Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. TransDate (Month/I					saction	ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3,		d (A) or	5. Amour Securities Beneficia Owned Fe	s Form (D) o ollowing (I) (Ir		Direct I Indirect E tr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transacti (Instr. 3 a	on(s)			Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 02/23					3/200	2006		A		8,400	A	\$0	38,442	38,442.294(1)		D			
Common Stock													2,00	2,000(2)			By Daughter		
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date, T	ate, Transac Code (In				6. Date Exe Expiration (Month/Day	Date	of Securities		ies g Security	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						
Non- qualified Stock Options ⁽³⁾	\$58.57	02/23/2006			A		30,000		02/23/2007	(4)	02/23/2016	Common Stock	30,000	\$58.57	30,00	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.
- 2. Beneficial ownership of these shares is disclaimed.
- 3. Employee stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- 4. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date reflected in this column.

By: /s/ BRADFORD T.

SMITH, Attorney-in-Fact for 02/27/2006

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** 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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