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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 [*] Fonseca Lidia				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA</u> <u>HOLDINGS</u> [LH]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify					
(Last) 531 SOU	`	irst) IG STREET	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/24/2012								A below)				
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Derivative Conversion Date		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	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 Amoun of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Derivative Security	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	y [10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				c	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	1				
Non- qualified Stock Options ⁽¹⁾	\$84.86	05/24/2012			A		11,400		05/24/2	2013 ⁽²⁾	05/23/2022	Common Stock	11,400) \$0	11,400		D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Employee stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2012 Omnibus Incentive Plan.

2. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date reflected in this column.

<u>/s/ F. Samuel Eberts III,</u>
Attorney-in-Fact for Lidia

<u>Fonseca</u>

05/29/2012

** 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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