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* HARDISON DON M							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]									hip of Reportir pplicable) ector icer (give title	ng Pers	g Person(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specif		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 531 SOUTH SPRING STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2009										ow) (EVP	below)		
(Street) BURLINGTON NC 27215 (City) (State) (Zip)						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					
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						ay/Year) Execut		2A. Deemed Execution Date, f any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)		ties Acquired (A) I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			d Sec Ben Owr	mount of urities eficially led Following orted	Form:	nership Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					v	Amount	(A (D			A) or (Price	Tran	saction(s) r. 3 and 4)			(11341.4)				
Common Stock 12/31/						./2009			F		3,848(1	1) D \$7		\$74.	.84	19,928		D		
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any			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. : and 4)		str. 3	8. Price o Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		Ov Fo Dii or (I)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa		Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sha	ber						

Explanation of Responses:

1. Forfeiture of restricted stock in order to satisfy withholding liabilities under Internal Revenue Code Section 83.

Remarks:

/s/ F. Samuel Eberts III

01/15/2010

** 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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