FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person SMITH BRADFORD T							LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]										c all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)		10% Ov Other (s below)	ner	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 430 SOUTH SPRING STREET							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 04/18/2006											l Off	cr,Secretai	ту	
(Street) BURLINGTON NC 27215					_ 4. I _	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)										6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	?)	State)	(Zip)												Person						
		Tab	le I - No	n-Deri	vativ	e Se	curiti	es A	cqui	red,	Dis	posed o	f, or Be	nefici	ially	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transac Date (Month/Da						Execution Dat			Code (Instr.			4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)			and Securities Beneficia Owned Fe		s lly ollowing	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
						C	ode	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			ansaction(s) str. 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)				
Common Stock 04/18/2							.006			1 (1)		237	A	\$43	\$43.53 55,568		3.2881 ⁽²⁾		D		
Common Stock 04/18/2										S ⁽¹⁾		237	D	\$6	\$60 55,3		1.2881(2)		D		
		-	Гable II -									osed of, convertil				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deer Execution if any (Month/E	Date,		Transaction Code (Instr.		of I		te Exe ration th/Day	Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	ode V		(D)	Date Exer	cisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numb of Shares	er						
Non- qualified Stock Options ⁽³⁾	\$43.53	04/18/2006			M ⁽¹⁾			237	02/1	1/2003	(4)	02/14/2012	Common Stock	237	,	\$43.53	17,26	3	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Pursuant to a plan in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 2. Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.
- 3. Common stock purchase option granted under 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 04/20/2006

** 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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