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* SMITH BRADFORD T (Last) (First) (Middle) 430 SOUTH SPRING STREET (Street) BURLINGTON NC 27215						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/17/2006 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP, Chf Legal Offcr,Secretary 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, r) if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)								ties cially Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
										Code V		t (A) or (D)		Price			ed ction(s) 3 and 4)			(Instr. 4)
Common S	tock			02/17	/2006				S ⁽¹⁾		60		D	\$58	.09	50,13	31.2881 ⁽²⁾]	D	
Common Stock				02/17/2006					S ⁽¹⁾		338		D	\$58.08		49,793.2881(2)]	D	
Common Stock				02/17/2006			5				676 D		D	\$58	\$58.07 49,1		17.2881 ⁽²⁾]	D	
Common S	tock			02/17	/2006				S ⁽¹⁾		743		D	\$58	.06	48,37	74.2881 ⁽²⁾]	D	
Common Stock				02/17/2006					S ⁽¹⁾		676		D	\$58.04		4 47,698.2881(2)		D		
Common Stock				02/17/2006					S ⁽¹⁾		203		D	\$58.02		2 47,495.2881 ⁽²⁾		D		
Common Stock				02/17/2006					S ⁽¹⁾		1,081		D	\$58.01		46,414.2881(2)]	D	
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Derivative Conversion Date Exe Security or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if a		3A. Deen Executio if any (Month/D	n Date,	Code (8)	Transaction Code (Instr.		of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins and 4)		ount mber	Der Sec	rice of ivative urity tr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Ow For Dir or I (I) (vnership rm: ect (D) Indirect (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	

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.

<u>By: /s/ BRADFORD T.</u> <u>SMITH</u> <u>02/22/2006</u>

** Signature of Reporting Person Da

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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