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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549
FORM 8-K
CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange
Act of 1934
August 13, 2002
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(Date of earliest event reported)
LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS
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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)
DELAWARE1-1135313-3757370(State or other<br/>jurisdiction of<br/>incorporation)(Commission<br/>File Number)(IRS Employer<br/>Identification
incorporation)
                                               Number)
358 SOUTH MAIN STREET, BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA 27215
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                     (Address of principal executive offices)
336-229-1127
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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)
ITEM 7. Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information
        and Exhibits
       Exhibits:
  (C)
99.1 - Certification of Chief Executive Officer and
       Chief Financial Officer of Laboratory Corporation
       of America Holdings, dated August 13, 2002, pursuant
        to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to
       Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
ITEM 9. Regulation FD Disclosure.
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On August 13, 2002, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings furnished to the Securities and Exchange Commission a personal certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350 as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. A Copy of the certification is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report. Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings also furnished this certification as correspondence accompanying its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2002, which was filed with the Commission on August 13, 2002.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

> LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS (Registrant)

By:/s/ BRADFORD T. SMITH

Bradford T. Smith Executive Vice President and Secretary Date: August 13, 2002

EXHIBIT 99.1

Written Statement of Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

The undersigned, the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings (the "Company"), each hereby certifies that, to his knowledge on the date hereof:

(a) the Form 10-Q of the Company for the Period Ended
 June 30, 2002 filed on the date hereof with the Securities and Exchange
 Commission (the "Report") fully complies with the requirements of
 Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(b) information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

By:/s/THOMAS P. MAC MAHON Thomas P. Mac Mahon Chief Executive Officer August 13, 2002

By:/s/WESLEY R. ELINGBURG

Wesley R. Elingburg Chief Financial Officer August 13, 2002