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 SMITH BRA	ss of Reporting Persor	1*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [ LH ]		tionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director Officer (give title	son(s) to Issuer  10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/16/2004	Λ	below) EVP, Chief Legal Of	below) icer, Sec	
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)			
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Ta	ble I - Non-Derivative S	Securities Acq	uired	, Dis	posed of,	or Ber	neficially	Owned		
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)					5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownershi
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		244	D	\$38.1	111,422.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		81	D	\$38.07	111,341.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		244	D	\$38.01	111,097.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		460	D	\$38	110,637.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		624	D	\$37.95	110,013.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		54	D	\$37.91	109,959.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		949	D	\$37.9	109,010.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		162	D	\$37.87	108,848.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		162	D	\$37.8	108,686.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		21	D	\$37.76	108,665.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		407	D	\$37.74	108,258.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		657	D	\$37.73	107,601.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		135	D	\$37.72	107,466.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		136	D	\$37.71	107,330.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		461	D	\$37.7	106,869.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		515	D	\$37.69	106,354.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		163	D	\$37.68	106,191.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		217	D	\$37.67	105,974.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		271	D	\$37.66	105,703.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		81	D	\$37.65	105,622.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		81	D	\$37.64	105,541.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		135	D	\$37.63	105,406.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		108	D	\$37.62	105,298.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		218	D	\$37.6	105,080.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		135	D	\$37.59	104,945.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		109	D	\$37.58	104,836.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		406	D	\$37.57	104,430.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		840	D	\$37.56	103,590.3601(2)	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		1,571	D	\$37.55	102,019.3601 <sup>(2)</sup>	D	
Common Stock <sup>(1)</sup>	03/16/2004		S		271	D	\$37.54	101,748.3601 <sup>(2)</sup>	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)	of 2. 3. Transaction Jake Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any 4.			5. Number of		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

## **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.

## Remarks:

More to follow.

<u>/s/ Bradford T. Smith</u> <u>03/18/2004</u>

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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