FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MAC MAHON THOMAS P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]								neck all appli X Directo	cable) or	1	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify	
(Last) (First) (Middle) 531 SOUTH SPRING STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/19/2010									Officer (give title below)		other (sp below)	
(Street) BURLINGTON NC 27215 (City) (State) (Zip)					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								e) X Form f	Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable filed by One Reporting Person filed by More than One Reporting on			
		Ta	ble I - I	Non-Dei	rivativ	/e Se	curi	ties Ad	cquire	d, Di	isposed o	f, or Be	neficia	ly Owned	l			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/						Exe	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar			5. Amo Securit Benefic Owned	ies	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reporte Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)			Instr. 4)
Common Stock 01/19/20						10			M ⁽¹⁾	П	9,260	A	\$43.53	3 73	.157 ⁽²⁾	D		
Common Stock 01/19/20						10			S ⁽¹⁾		9,260	D	\$77	63,	897(2)	D		
Common Stock 01/20/20					/2010	10			M ⁽¹⁾		26,518	A	\$43.53	3 90,	415 ⁽²⁾	D		
Common Stock 01/20/20:						10			S ⁽¹⁾		26,518	D	\$77.004	9 ⁽³⁾ 63	397 ⁽²⁾ D			
			Table								posed of, convertib			Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executi if any	3A. Deemed Execution Date,		action (Instr.	5. Number of			Exerc	isable and			Derivative Security	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Owi For Oly Or I (I) (I	nership n: ct (D) ndirect nstr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	1				
Non- qualified Stock Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$43.53	01/19/2010			M ⁽¹⁾			9,260	02/14/2	2003 ⁽⁵⁾	02/14/2012	Common Stock	9,260	\$43.53	114,58	1	D	
Non- qualified Stock Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$43.53	01/20/2010			M ⁽¹⁾			26,518	02/14/2	2003 ⁽⁵⁾	02/14/2012	Common Stock	26,518	\$43.53	88,063	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. The price of \$77.0049 per share represents a weighted average of sales prices ranging from \$77.00 to \$77.09 per share. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased or sold at each separate price.
- 4. Employee stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- 5. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date reflected in this column.

Remarks:

/s/ F. Samuel Eberts III

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/21/2010

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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