

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

September 19, 2006  
(Date of earliest event reported)

**LABORATORY CORPORATION OF  
AMERICA HOLDINGS**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

**DELAWARE**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**1-11353**

(Commission  
File Number)

**13-3757370**

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**358 SOUTH MAIN STREET,  
BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**27215**

(Zip Code)

**336-229-1127**

(Registrant's telephone number including area code)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

ITEM 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On September 19, 2006, Laboratory Corporation of America<sup>®</sup> Holdings (LabCorp<sup>®</sup>) (NYSE: LH), announced today that for the period of September 12, 2006 to March 11, 2007, its \$744 million in zero coupon subordinated Liquid Yield Option<sup>™</sup> Notes (LYONs) due 2021 will, subject to the terms of the LYONs, accrue contingent cash interest at a rate of no less than 0.125% of the average market price of a LYON for the five trading days ended September 7, 2006, in addition to the continued accrual of the original issue discount.

Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated September 19, 2006

## SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities 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)

Date: September 20, 2006

By: /s/Bradford T. Smith  
Bradford T. Smith, Executive Vice President  
and Secretary

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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**LABCORP'S LIQUID YIELD OPTION™ NOTES  
TO ACCRUE CONTINGENT CASH INTEREST**

**Burlington, NC, September 19, 2006** — Laboratory Corporation of America® Holdings (LabCorp®) (NYSE: LH) announced today that for the period of September 12, 2006 to March 11, 2007, its \$744 million in zero coupon subordinated Liquid Yield Option™ Notes (LYONs) due 2021 will, subject to the terms of the LYONs, accrue contingent cash interest at a rate of no less than 0.125% of the average market price of a LYON for the five trading days ended September 7, 2006, in addition to the continued accrual of the original issue discount.

**About LabCorp**

Laboratory Corporation of America® Holdings, a S&P 500 company, is a pioneer in commercializing new diagnostic technologies and the first in its industry to embrace genomic testing. With annual revenues of \$3.3 billion in 2005, approximately 24,000 employees nationwide, and more than 220,000 clients, LabCorp offers clinical assays ranging from routine blood analyses to HIV and genomic testing. LabCorp combines its expertise in innovative clinical testing technology with its Centers of Excellence: The Center for Molecular Biology and Pathology, in Research Triangle Park, NC; National Genetics Institute, Inc. in Los Angeles, CA; ViroMed Laboratories, Inc. based in Minneapolis, MN; The Center for Esoteric Testing in Burlington, NC; DIANON Systems, Inc. based in Stratford, CT; US LABS based in Irvine, CA; and Esoterix and its Colorado Coagulation, Endocrine Sciences, and Cytometry Associates laboratories. LabCorp clients include physicians, government agencies, managed care organizations, hospitals, clinical labs, and pharmaceutical companies. To learn more about our growing organization, visit our Web site at: [www.LabCorp.com](http://www.LabCorp.com).

*Each of the above forward-looking statements is subject to change based on various important factors, including without limitation, competitive actions in the marketplace and adverse actions of governmental and other third-party payors. Actual results could differ materially from those suggested by these forward-looking statements. Further information on potential factors that could affect LabCorp's financial results is included in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005, and subsequent SEC filings.*