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

April 19, 2013 (Date of earliest event reported)

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF **AMERICA HOLDINGS**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware		1-11353	13-3757370						
(State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation)		(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)						
	358 South Main Street,								
	Burlington, North Carolina	27215	336-229-1127						
	(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)	(Registrant's telephone number including area code)						
Che [] [] []	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12) Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))								
Iten	n 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure								

Summary information of the Company dated April, 19, 2013.

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.

<u>LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS</u> Registrant

By: /s/ F. SAMUEL EBERTS III

F. Samuel Eberts III

Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

April 19, 2013





Introduction

This slide presentation contains forward-looking statements which are 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 the Company's financial results is included in the Company's Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2012, and subsequent SEC filings. The Company has no obligation to provide any updates to these forward-looking statements even if its expectations change.





First Quarter Results

(In millions, except per share data)

	Three Mon	ths En	ded Mar 31,	
	 2013 ⁽²⁾		2012	+/(-)
Revenue	\$ 1,440.9	\$	1,423.3	1.2%
Adjusted Operating Income (1)	\$ 269.5	\$	283.5	-4.9%
Adjusted Operating Income Margin (1)	18.7%		19.9%	(120) bp
Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization (1)	\$ 1.74	\$	1.74	0.0%
Operating Cash Flow	\$ 198.2	\$	197.1	0.6%
Less: Capital Expenditures	\$ (41.7)	\$	(34.2)	21.9%
Free Cash Flow	\$ 156.5	\$	162.9	-3.9%

⁽¹⁾ See Reconciliation of non-GAAP Financial Measures (included herein)

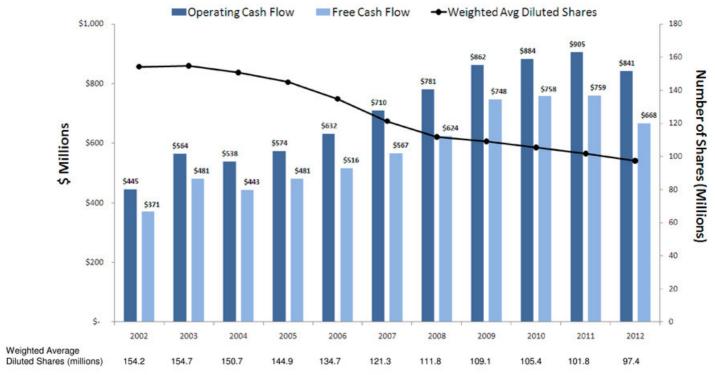


⁽²⁾ Margins were negatively affected by weather, Medicare payment reductions and the number of days in the first quarter of 2013; inclement weather reduced Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization by \$0.04 in the first quarter of 2013



Cash Flow Trends

10.3% FCF CAGR from 2001-2012



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2011 Free Cash Flow calculation above does not include the \$49.5 million Hunter Labs settlement Free Cash Flow is a non-GAAP metric (see reconciliation of non-GAAP Financial Measures included herein) Free Cash Flow CAGR calculation uses 2001 data (2001 Free Cash Flow was \$228 million)



Financial Guidance - 2013

Including a negative impact of approximately \$0.35 due to Medicare payment reductions and excluding the impact of share repurchase activity after March 31, 2013, guidance for 2013 is:

Revenue growth:	Approximately 2.0% - 3.0%
Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization:	\$6.85 - \$7.15
Operating cash flow:	Approximately \$870 Million - \$900 Million
Capital expenditures:	Approximately \$200 Million - \$220 Million*

*Note: The Company's capital expenditure guidance is higher than historical levels due to near-term investments in facility consolidation and replacement of a major testing platform





Supplemental Financial Information

Laboratory Corporation of America Other Financial Information March 31, 2013 (\$ in millions)

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Depreciation	\$	35.1
Amortization	\$	19.5
Capital expenditures	\$	41.7
Cash flows from operations	\$	198.2
Bad debt as a percentage of sales		4.3%
Effective interest rate on debt:		
Zero coupon-subordinated notes		2.00%
3 1/8% Senior Notes		3.27%
4 5/8% Senior Notes		4.74%
5 5/8% Senior Notes		5.75%
2 1/5% Senior Notes		2.24%
3 3/4% Senior Notes		3.76%
Revolving credit facility (weighted average)		1.25%
Days sales outstanding		50



Reconciliation of non-GAAP Financial Measures

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(In millions, except per share data)

	Thr	ee Months	Ended 1	Mar 31,
Adjusted Operating Income		2013		2012
Operating income	\$	262.0	\$	287.1
Restructuring and other special charges (1)(2)		7.5		(3.6)
Adjusted operating income	\$	269.5	\$	283.5
Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization				
Diluted earnings per common share	\$	1.56	\$	1.63
Impact of restructuring and other special charges (1)(2)		0.05		(0.02)
Amortization expense		0.13		0.13
Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization (3)	\$	1.74	\$	1.74

Note: Please see footnotes for this reconciliation on the following slide

Margins were negatively affected by weather, Medicare payment reductions and the number of days in the first quarter of 2013; inclement weather reduced Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization by \$0.04 in the first quarter of 2013



Reconciliation of non-GAAP Financial Measures - Footnotes

- 1) During the first quarter of 2013, the Company recorded net restructuring and other special charges of \$7.5 million. The charges included \$7.6 million in severance and other personnel costs along with \$1.8 million in costs associated with facility closures and general integration initiatives. The Company reversed previously established reserves of \$0.6 million in unused severance and \$1.3 million in unused facility-related costs. The after tax impact of these charges decreased net earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2013, by \$4.7 million and diluted earnings per share by \$0.05 (\$4.7 million divided by 94.5 million shares).
- 2) During the first quarter of 2012, the Company recorded a net credit of \$3.6 million in restructuring and other special charges. The Company reversed previously established reserves of \$3.8 million in unused severance and \$2.4 million in unused facility-related costs. This net credit also includes charges of \$1.7 million in severance and other personnel costs along with \$0.9 million in facility-related costs primarily related to ongoing integration activities for Orchid and Genzyme Genetics. The after tax impact of the net credit increased net earnings for the quarter ended March 31, 2012, by \$2.2 million and diluted earnings per share by \$0.02 (\$2.2 million divided by 99.1 million shares).
- 3) The Company continues to grow the business through acquisitions and uses Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization as a measure of operational performance, growth and shareholder returns. The Company believes adjusting EPS for amortization provides investors with better insight into the operating performance of the business. For the quarters ended March 31, 2013 and 2012, intangible amortization was \$19.5 million and \$21.4 million, respectively (\$12.0 million and \$13.1 million net of tax, respectively) and decreased EPS by \$0.13 (\$12.0 million divided by 94.5 million shares) and \$0.13 (\$13.1 million divided by 99.1 million shares), respectively.

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Laboratory Corporation of America

Reconciliation of Free Cash Flow

Reconciliation of non-GAAP Financial Measures

(In millions, except per share data)

	2012	2011	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	<u>2004</u>	2003	2002
Cash flows from operations ¹	\$841.4	\$905.1	\$883.6	\$862.4	\$780.9	\$709.7	\$632.3	\$574.2	\$538.1	\$564.3	\$444.9
Capital expenditures	(173.8)	(145.7)	(126.1)	(114.7)	(156.7)	(142.6)	(115.9)	(93.6)	(95.0)	(83.6)	(74.3)
Free cash flow ²	667.6	759.4	757.5	747.7	624.2	567.1	516.4	480.6	443.1	480.7	370.6
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding	97.4	101.8	105.4	109.1	111.8	121.3	134.7	144.9	150.7	144.8	144.2

^{(1) 2011} cash flows from operations excludes the \$49.5 million Hunter Labs settlement payment



⁽²⁾ Free cash flow represents cash flows from operations less capital expenditures

