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 of Reporting Person* Boyle James T. Jr.							2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]									of Reportin able) r (give title	g Pers	on(s) to Iss 10% O Other (wner	
(Last) 531 SOU	(F JTH SPRIN		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/11/2009									below)			below)	below)				
(Street) BURLINGTON NC 27215					4.	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(9	State)	(Zip)																	
Table I - Non-Deriva 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transa Date (Month/E					sactio				3. Transa	ction	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			(A) or	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s ally ollowing I	Form	: Direct Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
									Code	v	Amount	(A (E	A) or O)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a					
Common	Stock			02/1	1/200	09			A		4,300)	A	\$0	7,8	01 ⁽¹⁾	D			
			Table II - I								osed of, onvertil				Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	oate, 1	4. Transa Code (B)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisa Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea			7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)		ecurity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securitie Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab		expiration Date	Title	0 0	lumber						
Non- qualified Stock	\$60.04	02/11/2009			A		47,400		02/11/2010)(3)	02/11/2019	Comn		7,400	\$60.04	47,40	0	D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.
- 2. Employee stock option (right to buy) granted persuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
- 3. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date reflected in this column.

Remarks:

/s/ F. Samuel Eberts III

02/13/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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