FORM 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HAAS WILLIAM						LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]								neck all appli Direct V Office	ationship of Reporting k all applicable) Director Officer (give title		10% Ov	vner
(Last) (First) (Middle)						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/20/2004								below	EVP, Sales 8		below) arketing	
(Street)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person				
(City) (State) (Zip)													Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tab	le I - N	on-Deri	vative	e Sec	uriti	ies Ac	quirec	l, Di	sposed o	of, or Be	neficia	lly Owne	t			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transacti Date (Month/Day)						Exe	Deemed ecution Date, ny onth/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Benefic Owned	es ially Following	Forn (D) o	n: Direct or Indirect nstr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)
Common Stock 02/20/20					/2004	004			М		4,666	A	\$17.68	75 14,	666(1)		D	
Common Stock 02/20/20					/2004	:004			S		4,666	D	\$37.9	10,	000(1)		D	
		7	able II								posed of converti			/ Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deer Execution if any (Month/I		4. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exercis Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		te	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	s lly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	V (A)	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Non- Qualified Stock Option ⁽²⁾	\$17.6875	02/20/2004			M			4,666	06/05/20	003	06/06/2010	Common Stock	4,666	\$17.6875	0		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.
- 2. Common Stock purchase option granted under the Laboratory Corporation of America 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.

/s/ Bradford T. Smith,

02/24/2004 Attorney-in-Fact for William

B. Haas

** Signature of Reporting Person 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).
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