## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  KING DAVID P						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
						HOLDINGS [ LH ]								Directo		10% C			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 531 SOUTH SPRING STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/24/2013								below)	(give title  President & (		Other (s below)	респу	
(Street) BURLINGTON NC 27215  (City) (State) (Zip)					4.	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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
		Tal	ole I - No	on-Deri	ivativ	e Se	curi	ties Ac	quired	, Dis	sposed o	f, or Bei	neficiall	y Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					ar) E	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F	s ally	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			Instr. 4)	
Common Stock 12/24/					4/2013	2013			M <sup>(1)</sup>		25,000	A	\$60.04	88,627.8828		D			
Common Stock 12/24/					4/2013	3			S <sup>(1)</sup>		25,000	D	\$90.79	63,627.8828		D			
Common Stock														43,758		I		By grantor retained annuity rust	
			Table II								oosed of, convertib			Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deem Execution if any (Month/Da	Date, Tran Code		ansaction de (Instr.		of		exercis on Dat Day/Ye		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)	e O S Fi Ily D OI	D. wnership orm: irect (D) r Indirect ) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code	ode V		(D)	Date Exercisa	ble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Non- qualified Stock Options <sup>(3)</sup>	\$60.04	12/24/2013			M <sup>(1)</sup>			25,000	02/11/20	10 <sup>(4)</sup>	02/11/2019	Common Stock	25,000	\$0 24,20		0	D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. Pursuant to a plan in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.
- 2. The price of \$97.09 per share represents a weighted average of sales prices ranging from \$90.35 to \$91.02 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.
- 3. Employee stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
- 4. The option vested in three equal annual installments beginning on 2/11/2010 and is now fully exercisable.

/s/ F. Samuel Eberts III,

12/27/2013 Attorney-in-Fact for David P.

King

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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