FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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LAI GOLDM	And Address of Reporting Person* COLDMAN MYLA (First) (Middle) UTH SPRING STREET NGTON NC 27215		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/06/2006		ionship of Reporting Persor all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) EVP & Chief Medica	10% Owner Other (specify below)
(Street) BURLINGTON (City)	NC (State)	27215 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indivi Line) X	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Form filed by One Reporti Form filed by More than C Person	ing Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)		
Common Stock	01/06/2006		M ⁽¹⁾		4,385	Α	\$39.34	41,937.261 ⁽²⁾	D			
Common Stock	01/06/2006		S ⁽¹⁾		37	D	\$55.03	41,900.261 ⁽²⁾	D			
Common Stock	01/06/2006		S ⁽¹⁾		150	D	\$55.02	41,750.261 ⁽²⁾	D			
Common Stock	01/06/2006		S ⁽¹⁾		4,198	D	\$55	37,552.261 ⁽²⁾	D			
Common Stock								2,000 ⁽³⁾	Ι	By Daughter		

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exerci 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 of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Non- qualified Stock Options ⁽⁴⁾	\$39.34	01/06/2006		M ⁽¹⁾			4,385	01/07/2003 ⁽⁵⁾	01/07/2012	Common Stock	4,385	\$39.34	24,644	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. Pursuant to a plan in accordance with Rule 10b5-1 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

2. Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.

3. Beneficial ownership of these shares is disclaimed.

4. Common stock purchase option granted under the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.

5. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on the date reflected in this column.

<u>By: /s/ BRADFORD T.</u> <u>SMITH, Attorney-in-Fact for</u>

Myla Lai-Goldman

01/10/2006

** 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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