

**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

July 19, 2012
(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)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure

Summary information of the Company dated July 19, 2012.

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.

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS

Registrant

By: /s/ F. SAMUEL EBERTS III
F. Samuel Eberts III
Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

July 19, 2012



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Laboratory Corporation of America

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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, 2011, and subsequent SEC filings. The Company has no obligation to provide any updates to these forward-looking statements even if its expectations change.



Second Quarter Results

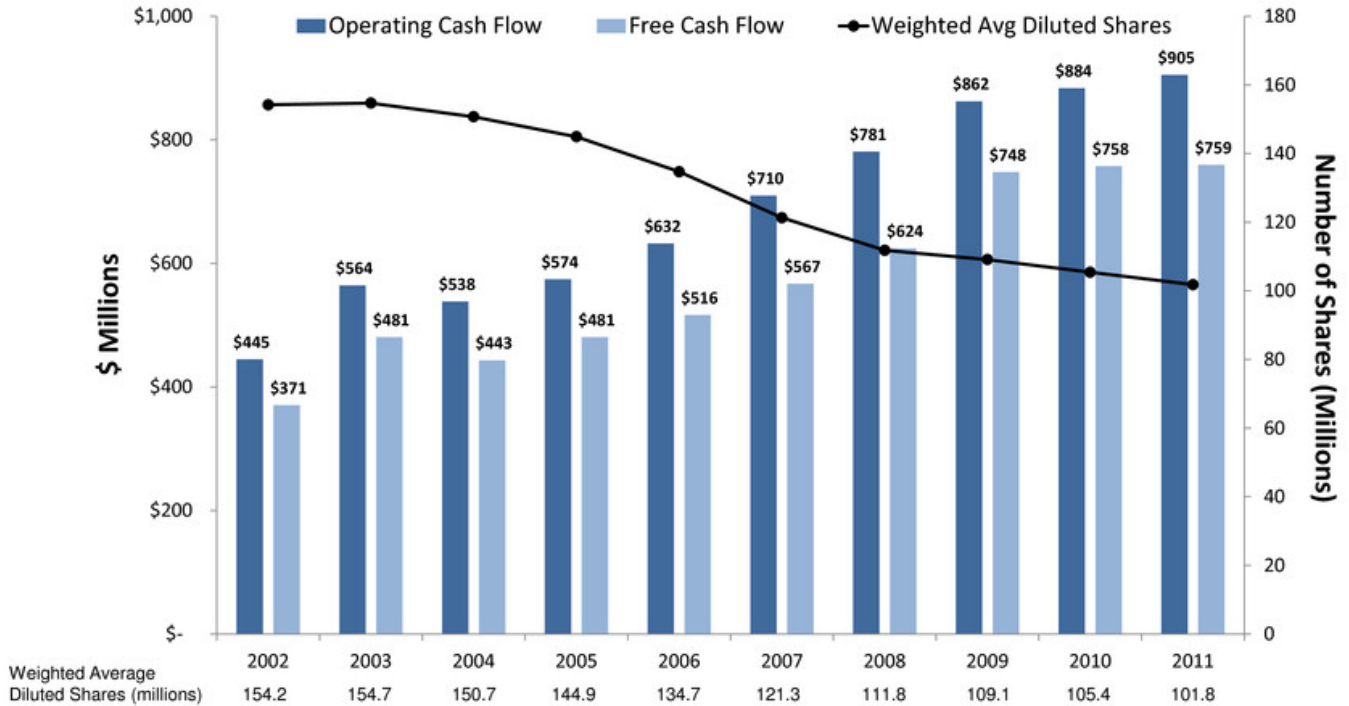
(In millions, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended Jun 30,		+ / (-)
	2012	2011	
Revenue	\$ 1,423.4	\$ 1,403.3	1.4%
Adjusted Operating Income ⁽¹⁾	\$ 280.3	\$ 279.6	0.3%
Adjusted Operating Income Margin ⁽¹⁾	19.7%	19.9%	(20) bp
Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization ⁽¹⁾	\$ 1.77	\$ 1.64	7.9%
Operating Cash Flow	\$ 186.3	\$ 184.9	0.8%
Less: Capital Expenditures	\$ (34.1)	\$ (45.8)	(25.5%)
Free Cash Flow	\$ 152.2	\$ 139.1	9.4%

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

Cash Flow Trends

12.8% FCF CAGR from 2001-2011



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Note: 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 - 2012

Excluding the impact of restructuring and other special charges and share repurchase activity after June 30, 2012, guidance for 2012 is:

• Revenue growth:	Approximately 2.0% - 3.0%
• Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization:	\$6.80 - \$7.00
• Operating cash flow:	Approximately \$950 Million
• Capital expenditures:	Approximately \$155 Million

Supplemental Financial Information

Laboratory Corporation of America
Other Financial Information
June 30, 2012
(\$ in millions)

	<u>Q1 12</u>	<u>Q2 12</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Depreciation	\$ 34.7	\$ 34.9	\$ 69.6
Amortization	\$ 21.4	\$ 20.7	\$ 42.0
Capital expenditures	\$ 34.2	\$ 34.1	\$ 68.3
Cash flows from operations	\$ 197.1	\$ 186.3	\$ 383.4
Bad debt as a percentage of sales	4.4%	4.4%	4.4%
Effective interest rate on debt:			
Zero coupon-subordinated notes	2.00%	2.00%	2.00%
3 1/8% Senior Notes	3.27%	3.27%	3.27%
4 5/8% Senior Notes	4.74%	4.74%	4.74%
5 1/2% Senior Notes	5.38%	5.38%	5.38%
5 5/8% Senior Notes	5.75%	5.75%	5.75%
Revolving credit facility (weighted average)	1.22%	1.22%	1.22%
Days sales outstanding	48	47	47

Reconciliation of non-GAAP Financial Measures

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(In millions, except per share data)

	Three Months Ended June 30,	
	2012	2011
<u>Adjusted Operating Income</u>		
Operating income	\$ 276.0	\$ 225.7
Restructuring and other special charges ^{(1) (2)}	3.4	53.9
Acquisition fees and expenses ⁽¹⁾	0.9	-
Adjusted operating income	<u>\$ 280.3</u>	<u>\$ 279.6</u>
<u>Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization</u>		
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 1.56	\$ 1.20
Impact of restructuring and other special charges ^{(1) (2)}	0.08	0.32
Amortization expense	0.13	0.12
Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization ⁽³⁾	<u>\$ 1.77</u>	<u>\$ 1.64</u>

Note: Please see footnotes for this reconciliation on slide 9

Reconciliation of non-GAAP Financial Measures

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(In millions, except per share data)

	Six Months Ended June 30,	
	2012	2011
<u>Adjusted Operating Income</u>		
Operating income	\$ 563.1	\$ 461.5
Restructuring and other special charges ^{(1) (2)}	(0.2)	81.8
Acquisition fees and expenses ⁽¹⁾	0.9	-
Adjusted operating income	<u>\$ 563.8</u>	<u>\$ 543.3</u>
<u>Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization</u>		
Diluted earnings per common share	\$ 3.19	\$ 2.44
Impact of restructuring and other special charges ^{(1) (2)}	0.06	0.48
Amortization expense	0.26	0.26
Adjusted EPS Excluding Amortization ⁽³⁾	<u>\$ 3.51</u>	<u>\$ 3.18</u>

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

Reconciliation of non-GAAP Financial Measures - Footnotes

- 1) During the second quarter of 2012, the Company recorded \$3.4 million in restructuring and other special charges. The restructuring charges include \$4.5 million in severance and other personnel costs along with \$0.4 million in facility-related costs primarily associated with the ongoing integration of the Clearstone Central Laboratories acquisition and costs associated with the previously announced termination of an executive vice president. These charges were partially offset by the reversal of previously established restructuring reserves of \$1.5 million. The Company recorded \$0.9 million in acquisition fees and expenses relating to its planned acquisition of MEDTOX Scientific, Inc, which was recorded in Selling, General and Administrative Expenses in the Company's Statement of Operations. As part of the Clearstone integration, the Company also recorded a \$6.9 million loss on the disposal of one of its European subsidiaries. In addition, in conjunction with the liquidation of one of its joint ventures, the Company recorded a one-time increase of \$2.9 million in equity method income. The after tax impact of these net charges decreased net earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 2012 by \$7.8 million and diluted earnings per share by \$0.08 (\$7.8 million divided by 98.0 million shares).

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 combined net charges decreased net earnings for the six months ended June 30, 2012, by \$5.6 million and diluted earnings per share by \$0.06 (\$5.6 million divided by 98.6 million shares).

- 2) During the second quarter of 2011, the Company recorded restructuring and other special charges of \$53.9 million. The restructuring charges include \$7.5 million in net severance and other personnel costs along with \$10.8 million in net facility-related costs primarily associated with the ongoing integration of the Genzyme Genetics and Westcliff acquisitions. The special charges also include \$34.5 million (\$49.5 million, net of previously recorded reserves of \$15.0 million) relating to the settlement of the Hunter Labs litigation in California, along with \$1.1 million for legal costs associated with the planned acquisition of Orchid Cellmark incurred during the quarter, both of which were recorded in Selling, General and Administrative Expenses in the Company's Statement of Operations. The after tax impact of these charges decreased net earnings for the quarter ended June 30, 2011, by \$32.6 million and diluted earnings per share by \$0.32 (\$32.6 million divided by 102.8 million shares).

During the first quarter of 2011, the Company recorded restructuring and other special charges of \$27.9 million. The charges included \$4.0 million in severance and other personnel costs along with \$9.8 million in facility-related costs associated with the integration of Genzyme Genetics. The charges also included a \$14.8 million write-off of an investment made in a prior year.

The after tax impact of these combined charges decreased net earnings for the six months ended June 30, 2011, by \$49.4 million and diluted earnings per share by \$0.48 (\$49.4 million divided by 102.6 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 June 30, 2012 and 2011, intangible amortization was \$20.6 million and \$21.5 million, respectively (\$12.5 million and \$13.1 million net of tax, respectively) and decreased EPS by \$0.13 (\$12.5 million divided by 98.0 million shares) and \$0.12 (\$13.0 million divided by 102.8 million shares), respectively. For the six months ended June 30, 2012 and 2011, intangible amortization was \$42.0 million and \$43.4 million, respectively (\$25.7 million and \$26.5 million net of tax, respectively) and decreased EPS by \$0.26 (\$25.7 million divided by 98.6 million shares) and \$0.26 (\$26.5 million divided by 102.6 million shares), respectively.

Note: GENZYME GENETICS and its logo are trademarks of Genzyme Corporation and used by Esoterix Genetic Laboratories, LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of LabCorp, under license. Esoterix Genetic Laboratories and LabCorp are operated independently from Genzyme Corporation.

Reconciliation of Free Cash Flow

Reconciliation of non-GAAP Financial Measures

(In millions, except per share data)

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
Cash flows from operations ¹	\$905.1	\$883.6	\$862.4	\$780.9	\$709.7	\$632.3	\$574.2	\$538.1	\$564.3	\$444.9
Capital expenditures	(145.7)	(126.1)	(114.7)	(156.7)	(142.6)	(115.9)	(93.6)	(95.0)	(83.6)	(74.3)
Free cash flow ²	<u>759.4</u>	<u>757.5</u>	<u>747.7</u>	<u>624.2</u>	<u>567.1</u>	<u>516.4</u>	<u>480.6</u>	<u>443.1</u>	<u>480.7</u>	<u>370.6</u>
Weighted average diluted shares outstanding	101.8	105.4	109.1	111.8	121.3	134.7	144.9	150.7	154.7	154.2

(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



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