KING DAVID P Form 4 July 11, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * KING DAVID P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS [LH]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below)

531 SOUTH SPRING STREET

07/09/2012

President & CEO 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

BURLINGTON, NC 27215

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	07/09/2012		M(1)	35,000	A	\$ 58.57	145,231.7212	D	
Common Stock	07/09/2012		M(1)	49,800	A	\$ 60.04	195,031.7212	D	
Common Stock	07/09/2012		S <u>(1)</u>	84,800	D	\$ 92.11 (2)	110,231.7212	D	
Common Stock							43,758	I	By grantor retained

annuity

trust

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

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

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title ON O
Non-qualified Stock Options (3)	\$ 58.57	07/09/2012		M	35,000	02/23/2007(4)	02/23/2016	Common Stock
Non-qualified Stock Options	\$ 60.04	07/09/2012		M	49,800	02/11/2010(6)	02/11/2019	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer President & CEO	Other			
KING DAVID P							
531 SOUTH SPRING STREET	X		President & CEO				
BURLINGTON, NC 27215							

Signatures

/s/ F. Samuel Eberts III, Attorney-in-Fact for David P.
King
07/11/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

(2)

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The price of \$92.11 per share represents a weighted average of sales prices ranging from \$91.75 to \$92.50 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 2000 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (4) The option vested in three equal annual installments beginning on 02/23/2007 and is now fully exercisable.
- (5) Employee stock option (right to buy) granted pursuant to the Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings 2008 Stock Incentive Plan.
- (6) The option vested in three equal annual installments beginning on 2/11/2010 and is now fully exercisable.

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