HAAS WILLIAM Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **HAAS WILLIAM**

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)

10% Owner

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

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

Director X_ Officer (give title _ Other (specify below) below)

430 SOUTH SPRING STREET

11/18/2004

EVP, Sales & Marketing 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) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	spose 4 and	d of (D)	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)		
Common Stock	11/18/2004		M	4,867	A	\$ 24.46	14,867 (1)	D	
Common Stock	11/18/2004		S	4,867	D	\$ 47.1	10,000 (1)	D	

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Share
Non-qualified Stock Options	\$ 24.46	11/18/2004		M	4,867	02/19/2004	02/19/2013	Common Stock	4,80

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Other Director 10% Owner Officer

HAAS WILLIAM 430 SOUTH SPRING STREET **BURLINGTON, NC 27215**

EVP, Sales & Marketing

Signatures

By: /s/ BRADFORD T. SMITH, Attorney-in-Fact for William B. Haas

11/22/2004

**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) Amount shown reflects a 2-for-1 stock split effective on May 10, 2002.
- (2) Common stock purchase option granted under the 1994 Stock Option Plan.

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