LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS Form 8-K

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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

November 30, 2004
(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)	· ·
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)

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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 November 30, 2004.

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.

<u>Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings</u> (Registrant)

Date: December 1, 2004 By: /s/Bradford T. Smith

Bradford T. Smith, Executive Vice

President and Secretary

Thomas P. Mac Mahon Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

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, 2003, and subsequent filings.

The Clinical Laboratory Testing Market - \$40 billion Annually

Independent clinical lab share is \$16 billion

Represents 2% to 3% of all health care spending

Influences /directs approximately 80% of health care spending

Rapidly evolving technology, emphasis on preventative medicine and aging of population are all driving growth

Has grown at a CAGR of between 5% and 6%

Source: Company estimates, industry reports and 2003 revenue for LabCorp.

Profile of LabCorp

A leader in the esoteric and genomic testing market and second-largest clinical laboratory company in North America

Offers more than 4,400 routine and esoteric/genomic tests

Conducts testing on more than 350,000 specimens daily

Provides lab services to more than 220,000 physicians and other health care providers

Approximately 23,000 employees nationwide

Primary Testing Locations & PSCs

Primary LabCorp Testing Locations

Patient Service Centers

PR

AK

Corporate Headquarters

Burlington, NC

LabCorp s **Investment** and **Performance** Fundamentals

History of Strong Financial Performance

Significant Cash Generator

Industry leading EBITDA margins

Strong Balance Sheet

Investment Grade Credit Ratings

Net Sales (in millions)

EBITDA Margin

EPS

Operating Cash Flow (in millions)

To lead the industry in achieving long-term growth and profitability by strengthening our nationwide core testing business and expanding our higher-growth, higher-value esoteric and genomic businesses.

LabCorp s Strategy

Strategic Focus Areas		
Scientific		
Leadership		
Managed		
Care		
Customer		
Retention		
-Licensing/partnerships		
-Cancer		
-Specimen tracking		
-Call center consolidation		
-Report improvement		
-Acquisitions		
-Appropriate prices		
-Reduce leakage		
-Value of new lab tests		
-Customer connectivity		
12		

Third Quarter Results (in millions, except per share data) 9/30/03 9/30/04 +/(-) Revenue \$752.0 \$781.5 3.9% **EBITDA** \$183.9 \$200.8 9.2% EBITDA Margin 24.5% 25.7% 120 bp **EPS** \$0.58 \$0.66 13.8% Bad Debt % of Revenue 7.5% 6.25%

(125)

bp

- (1) For definition of EBITDA and a reconciliation to the most comparable measure under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, see Company s 3rd quarter 2004 earnings release furnished on Form 8-K on October 21, 2004.
- (2) Q3 (3) results above exclude restructuring and other one-time charges relating to the Company s integration of its DIANON and Dynacare acquisitions.

Nine-Month Results (in millions, except per share data) 9/30/03 9/30/04 +/(-) Revenue \$2,207.9 \$2,318.3 5.0% **EBITDA** \$537.0 \$602.8 12.3% EBITDA Margin 24.3% 26.0% 170 bp **EPS** \$1.67 \$1.97 18.0% Bad Debt % of Revenue 7.5% 6.4% (110)

bp

- (1) For definition of EBITDA and a reconciliation to the most comparable measure under Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, see Company s 3rd quarter 2004 earnings release furnished on Form 8-K on October 21, 2004.
- (2) YTD 03 results above exclude restructuring and other one-time charges relating to the Company s integration of its DIANON and Dynacare acquisitions.

Financial Performance Price & Volumes: Trends by Payor Type **Client (Physicians) Patient Third Party** (MC/MD/Insurance) **Managed Care** Capitated Fee for service **Total LabCorp Total** 2002 **PPA** \$ Accessions millions 26.27 119.93 31.87 9.28 44.79 30.45 \$31.71 29.6 2.3

14.8

13.1 19.3 32.4 **79.1** 2003 **PPA** \$ millions 27.07 118.48 34.25 9.95 45.68 32.74 \$33.43 31.7 2.5 18.1 12.9 22.7 35.6 87.9 Accessions **YTD 2004**

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PPA

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millions 26.54 122.91 34.63 10.17 45.74 33.28 \$33.69 24.8 1.9 14.1 9.8 18.2 28.0 68.8

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Edgar Filing: LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS - Form 8-K Financial Performance Revenue Analysis by Business Area **YTD SEPT 2003** Revenue % Accns Accns **PPA** \$Million to total 000 \$ Genomic Identity/Gene **Probes All Genomic Other Esoteric** Histology All Genomic/ **Esoteric** Core **Total** 213.6 1,733.8 2.6%

123.21

114.4

328.0

188.4 148.4 664.8 1,543.1 2,207.9 2,628.0 4,631.8 4,615.7 1,619.0 10,596.5 55,451.4 66,047.9 4.0% 6.6% 7.0% 2.4% 16.0% 84.0% 100.0% 43.52 75.20 40.81 91.67

62.74

27.83

33.43

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YTD SEPT 2004	
Revenue	
% Accns	
Accns	
\$Million	
to total	
000	
221.7	
1,888.4	
2.8%	
117.40	
125.0	
346.7	
221.8	
146.0	
714.5	
1,603.8	
2,318.3	
2,843.3	
4,731.7	
5,360.1	
1,587.8	
11,679.6	
57,141.7	
68,821.3	

4.1%

6.9% 7.8% 2.3% 17.0% 83.0% 100.0% 43.96 73.27 41.38 91.96 61.17 28.07 33.69 **PPA** \$ **(4.7%)** 1.0% (2.6%)1.4% 0.3% (2.5%) 0.9%0.9% 04 vs 03 **PPA**

Incr/(Decr)

Free Cash Flow Investment Strategy

Acquisitions

\$250 million stock repurchase program

Retain flexibility in utilizing remaining cash