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## LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS

Form 8-K October 20, 2005

## **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

October 20, 2005
(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 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 20, 2005, Laboratory Corporation of America® Holdings (LabCorp®)(NYSE:LH) issued a press release announcing its results for the quarter and nine-months ended September 30, 2005. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

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Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated October 20, 2005

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## **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: October 20, 2005 By: /s/Bradford T. Smith

Bradford T. Smith, Executive Vice

President and Secretary