

LABORATORY CORP OF AMERICA HOLDINGS
Form 425
September 22, 2006

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

September 22, 2006

(Date of earliest event reported)

LABORATORY CORPORATION OF AMERICA HOLDINGS

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE
(State or other jurisdiction

of Incorporation)

1-11353
(Commission File Number)

13-3757370
(I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

358 SOUTH MAIN STREET,

BURLINGTON, NORTH CAROLINA
(Address of principal executive offices)

27215
(Zip Code)

336-229-1127
(Registrant's telephone number including area code)

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SECTION 8 Other Events

Item 8.01. Other Events.

On September 22, 2006 Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings issued a press release announcing the commencement of an offer to exchange a new series of Zero Coupon Convertible Subordinated Notes due 2021 and an exchange fee of \$2.50 per \$1,000 principal amount at maturity for all of its currently outstanding Liquid Yield Option Notes due 2021. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 9 Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

99.1 Press release dated September 22, 2006 Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings.

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

Date: September 22, 2006

By: /s/ Bradford T. Smith
Bradford T. Smith, Executive Vice President and Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press release dated September 22, 2006 of Laboratory Corporation of America Holdings.