FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BATHGATE BRIAN (Last) (First) (Middle) 251 BALLARDVALE STREET						Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL INC [CRL] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/02/2004								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) Corporate Vice President				vner
(Street) WILMINGTON MA 01887 (City) (State) (Zip)				- 4. I	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 5. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applic Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person												n	
		Tak	ole I - N	on-Deri	ivativ	e Se	curit	ties Ac	quire	d, Di	sposed o	of, or Be	neficia	lly Owne	t			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day						Ex r) if a	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			Benefic	ies ially Following	Form (D) o	n: Direct r Indirect istr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
						Code			v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transa (Instr. 3	ction(s)				
Common Stock 11/02/20						004			M		32,634	A	\$0.0	3 67	7,128	D D		
Common Stock 11/02/2					2/2004	004			S		32,634	D	\$46.7	057 34	,494		D	
Common Stock 11/02/20					2/2004	004			S		6,400	D	\$46.7057		3,094		D	
		-	Table II								posed of,			y Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deen Executio if any (Month/D	n Date,	4. Transa Code (8)		5. Number of		6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Ye		ite	7. Title and Amour of Securities Underlying Derivative Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactie (Instr. 4)	Ownersh Form: Illy Direct (D or Indire (I) (Instr.	Ownership	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares	r				
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$22.19								(1)		06/28/2013	Common Stock	14,00	0	14,000	0	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$29.55								(2)		01/30/2014	Common Stock	36,00	0	36,000	0	D	
Stock Options (Right to	\$0.03	11/02/2004			M			32,634	(3)		08/31/2011	Common Stock	32,63	4 \$0.03	0		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- $1.\,\,4,\!266\ options\ are\ immediately\ exercisable;\ 4,\!667\ options\ are\ exercisable\ on\ each\ of\ 6/30/05\ and\ 6/30/06.$
- 2. 12,000 options are exercisable on each of 1/30/05, 1/30/06 and 1/30/07.
- 3. Immediately

buy)

<u>Deborah Gray</u>

11/04/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- * 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).

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