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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  ROGERS DOUGLAS E					<u>C1</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL INC [ CRL ]									ck all applic Directo	able) r	g Pers	on(s) to Issu	ner
(Last) 251 BAL		(First) ALE STREET	(Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/13/2004								officer below)	(give title	Other below		pecify	
(Street) WILMINGTON MA 01887					4. 1	If Ame	endment, I	Date (	of Original	Filed	(Month/Da	Line)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City) (State) (Zip)													1 613011						
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																		
Date					nsaction h/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Yea		Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)		(A) or 3, 4 and	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	es Fo ially (D Following (I)		: Direct r Indirect str. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
						Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)		Price	Transact	ransaction(s) nstr. 3 and 4)			(111501.4)			
Common	Stock												328	328,349		D			
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. Conversio or Exercis Price of Derivative Security		3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day)	Date, T	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Expiration (Month/Da	n Date	•	7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)		ecurity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securitie: Beneficia Owned Following Reported Transacti (Instr. 4)	e s ally g	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal	ole	Expiration Date	Title	0	Amount or Number of Shares					
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$35.05								08/20/20	04	08/20/2008	Comi		6,000		6,000	0	D	
Stock Options (Right to	\$43.07	02/13/2004	02/13/20	004	A		12,000		02/13/200	5 <sup>(1)</sup>	02/13/2009	Comi		12,000	\$0	12,00	00	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Options become exercisable on February 13, 2005

Deborah E. Gray

02/18/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).
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