FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  REESE C RICHARD						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL INC [ CRL ]									elationship o eck all applio	able)	g Pers	on(s) to Issi 10% Ov	
(Last) 251 BAI	`	First) LE STREET	(Middle)		3. [	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2012										Officer (give title below)		Other (s below)	specify
(Street) WILMINGTON MA 01887  (City) (State) (Zip)				4.1	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	) Form fi	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person				
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Table I - Non-Deriva  1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D			saction	n ear)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transa Code (	ction	4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 5)			A) or	5. Amou Securitie Benefici Owned F	nt of es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A)	or	Price	Reported Transact (Instr. 3	ion(s)			(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock			05/0	9/201	12			A		4,040	(2)	A	\$0	16	16,830		D		
		-	Table II -						uired, D s, optior						Owned				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transa Code ( 8)		of I		o. Date Exercisal Expiration Date Month/Day/Year)			Amoun Securit Underly Derivat	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly Di	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)		Date Exercisabl		expiration Date	Title	or Ni of	umber					
Stock Options (Right to	\$33.93	05/09/2012			A		4,540		05/09/2013	(1) 0	5/09/2019	Commo		,540	\$0	4,540		D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. The Stock Options become exercisable upon the earlier of 5/9/2013 or the business day prior to the Company's next annual meeting of shareholders.
- 2. Reflects Restricted Shares of Common Stock that vest upon the earlier of 5/9/2013 or the business day immediately preceeding the next annual meeting of shareholders of the issuer.

<u>/s/ C. Richard Reese</u> <u>05/11/2012</u>

\*\* 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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