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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address Smith David F | 1 0 | n* | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES</u> <u>INTERNATIONAL INC</u> [CRL] | | tionship of Reporting Persor all applicable) Director Officer (give title below) | n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below) | |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|--|------------------------|--|---|--|
| (Last) 251 BALLARDV | (First) /ALE STREET | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/26/2018 | | Corporate Executive VP & CFO | | |
| (Street) WILMINGTON (City) | MA (State) | 01887 (Zip) | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | 6. Indiv Line) X | idual or Joint/Group Filing ((Form filed by One Reporti Form filed by More than C Person | ing Person | |

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Code (Instr. | | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------|---|--|---------------|-----------|---|---|---|
| | | | Code | v | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | (1150.4) |
| Common Stock | 02/26/2018 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 100 | D | \$108.495 | 14,515 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/26/2018 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 119 | D | \$108.5 | 14,396 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/26/2018 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | | 100 | D | \$108.59 | 14,296 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/27/2018 | | F | | 218 | D | \$108.95 | 14,078 | 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. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transa Code (8) | | | | 6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y | 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|-----|-----|--|---|-------|---|--|--|--|--|
| | | | | Code | v | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | | | |

Explanation of Responses:

1. This sale occurred pursuant to a 10b5-1 Trading Plan.

/s/ David R. Smith

02/26/2018

** 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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