

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>MCEWAN ALASTAIR STUART</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>251 BALLARDVALE STREET</u>  (Street) <u>WILMINGTON MA 01887</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL INC [ CRL ]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  X <b>Corporate VP</b>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>11/03/2004</u>	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting 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)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Common Stock	11/03/2004		M		209	A	\$0.03	79,727	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2004		M		9,390	A	\$0.06	89,117	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2004		M		5,334	A	\$18.35	94,451	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2004		M		4,000	A	\$22.19	98,451	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2004		S		4,000	D	\$46.464	94,451	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2004		S		5,334	D	\$46.464	89,117	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2004		S		9,390	D	\$46.464	79,727	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2004		S		28,800	D	\$46.464	50,927	D	
Common Stock	11/03/2004		S		209	D	\$46.464	50,718	D	
Common Stock	11/04/2004		S		27,267	D	\$46.37	23,451	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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)	10. Ownership 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				
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$29.55							(1)	01/30/2014	Common Stock	28,000		28,000	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$0.03	11/03/2004		M			209	(2)	08/31/2011	Common Stock	209	\$0.03	0	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$0.06	11/03/2004		M			9,390	(2)	03/25/2012	Common Stock	9,390	\$0.06	0	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$18.35	11/03/2004		M			5,334	(3)	04/29/2013	Common Stock	5,334	\$18.35	10,666	D	
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$22.19	11/03/2004		M			4,000	(4)	06/28/2013	Common Stock	4,000	\$22.19	8,000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

1. 9,333 options are exercisable on 1/30/05 and 1/30/04; 9,334 options are exercisable on 1/30/07.

2. Immediately

3. 5,333 options are immediately exercisable; 5,333 options are exercisable on 4/29/05 and 5,334 options are exercisable on 4/29/06.

4. 4,000 options are immediately exercisable; 4,000 options are exercisable on each of 6/28/05 and 6/28/06.

Deborah Gray

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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