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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Smith David Ross</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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Corporate Executive VP & CFO</u> | | |
| | | | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>08/12/2015</u> | | | | | |
| | | | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) | | | | | |
| 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|------------|-------|---|--|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock ⁽¹⁾ | 08/12/2015 | | A | | 3,026 | A | \$0 | 7,537 | 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) | |
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| | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | | | | | | Title |
| Stock Options (Right to Buy) | \$76.12 | 08/12/2015 | | A | | 4,995 | | 08/12/2016 ⁽²⁾ | 08/12/2020 | Common Stock | 4,995 | \$0 | 4,995 | D | |

Explanation of Responses:

- Consists of 3,026 unvested restricted stock units (RSUs) which vest as follows: 756 on 8/12/2016, 757 on 8/12/2017, 756 on 8/12/2018 and 757 shares on 8/12/2019. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of common stock.
- Stock options will vest as follows: 1,248 on 8/12/2016, 1,249 on 8/12/2017, 1,249 on 8/12/2018 and 1,249 on 8/12/2019.

/s/ David R. Smith 08/12/2015
 ** 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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