

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC
Form 8-K
March 25, 2011

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported): **March 21, 2011**

Quest Diagnostics Incorporated

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-12215

(Commission File Number)

16-1387862

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Three Giralda Farms

Madison, NJ 07940

(Address of principal executive offices)

07940

(Zip Code)

(973) 520-2700

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction a.2. below):

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

On March 24, 2011, Quest Diagnostics Incorporated (the "Company") issued \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 3.200% Senior Notes due 2016 (the "2016 Notes"), \$550,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.700% Senior Notes due 2021 (the "2021 Notes"), \$200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 5.750% Senior Notes due 2040 (the "2040 Notes"), and \$200,000,000 aggregate principal amount of Floating Rate Senior Notes due 2014 (the "Floating Rate Notes"). The 2040 Notes constitute a further issuance of the \$250,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 5.750% Senior Notes due 2040 issued by the Company on November 17, 2009.

The Company will pay interest on the 2016 Notes and the 2021 Notes on April 1 and October 1 of each year, beginning on October 1, 2011. The Company will pay interest on the 2040 Notes on January 30 and July 30 of each year, beginning July 30, 2011. The Company will pay interest on the Floating Rate Notes on March 24, June 24, September 24 and December 24 of each year, beginning June 24, 2011.

The 2016 Notes will mature on April 1, 2016. The 2021 Notes will mature on April 1, 2021. The 2040 Notes will mature on January 30, 2040. The Floating Rate Notes will mature on March 24, 2014. The Notes will be the senior unsecured obligations of the Company and will rank equally with the Company's other and future senior unsecured obligations. Each guarantee will be a senior unsecured obligation of the guarantor issuing such guarantee and will rank equally with other existing and future senior unsecured obligations of such guarantor. The Notes will not be entitled to the benefit of any sinking fund.

The Notes were issued pursuant to an indenture dated as of June 27, 2001 among the Company, the guarantors (as defined therein) and The Bank of New York Mellon, as trustee (the "Trustee"), as supplemented by the first through thirteenth supplemental indentures of various dates, among the Company, the Trustee, and the subsidiary guarantors party thereto and as further supplemented by a fourteenth supplemental indenture dated March 24, 2011 (collectively, the "Indenture") among the Company, the Trustee and the subsidiary guarantors party thereto. The Indenture contains covenants that, among other things, will limit the ability of the Company and the guarantors to create certain liens; enter into certain sale and leaseback transactions; consolidate, merge or transfer all or substantially all of the Company's assets and the assets of the Company's subsidiaries on a consolidated basis; incur indebtedness of non-guarantor subsidiaries; and make restricted payments to certain non-guarantor subsidiaries. The Indenture provides for customary events of default. Upon a change of control triggering event (as defined in the Indenture), the Company will be required to make an offer to purchase the Notes at a price equal to 101% of their principal amount plus accrued and unpaid interest to the date of repurchase.

The foregoing description of the Indenture does not purport to be complete and is qualified in its entirety by reference to the text of the applicable agreements, each of which is included as an exhibit to this Current Report on Form 8-K and incorporated by reference herein.

A copy of the opinion of Shearman & Sterling LLP, counsel to the Company, relating to the legality of the Notes is filed as Exhibit 5.1 to this Report.

Item 8.01 Other Events

On March 21, 2011, Quest Diagnostics Incorporated (the "Company") issued a press release announcing a proposed senior notes offering. A copy of the press release is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference into this Current Report on Form 8-K.

On March 21, 2011, the Company entered into an underwriting agreement (the "Underwriting Agreement") with Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated, Goldman, Sachs & Co., RBS Securities Inc., J.P. Morgan Securities LLC and Wells Fargo Securities, LLC on behalf of themselves and the other underwriters named therein. The Underwriting Agreement is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 1.1 and is incorporated by reference into this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

<u>Exhibit</u>	<u>Description</u>
1.1	Underwriting Agreement, dated as of March 21, 2011
4.1	Indenture dated as of June 27, 2001, among the Company, the Subsidiary Guarantors, and the Trustee (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's current report on Form 8-K (Date of Report: June 27, 2001) and incorporated herein by reference)
4.2	First Supplemental Indenture, dated as of June 27, 2001, among the Company, the Subsidiary Guarantors, and the Trustee (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's current report on Form 8-K (Date of Report: June 27, 2001) and incorporated herein by reference)
4.3	Second Supplemental Indenture, dated as of November 26, 2001, among the Company, the Subsidiary Guarantors, and the Trustee (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's current report on Form 8-K (Date of Report: November 26, 2001) and incorporated herein by reference)
4.4	Third Supplemental Indenture, dated as of April 4, 2002, among the Company, the Additional Subsidiary Guarantors, and the Trustee (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's current report on Form 8-K (Date of Report: April 1, 2002) and incorporated herein by reference)
4.5	Fourth Supplemental Indenture dated as of March 19, 2003, among Unilab Corporation (f/k/a Quest Diagnostics Newco Incorporated), the Company, the Trustee and the Subsidiary Guarantors (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2003 and incorporated herein by reference)
4.6	Fifth Supplemental Indenture dated as of April 16, 2004, among Unilab Acquisition Corporation (d/b/a FNA Clinics of America), the Company, the Trustee, and the Subsidiary Guarantors (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2004 and incorporated herein by reference)
4.7	Sixth Supplemental Indenture dated as of October 31, 2005, among the Company, the Trustee, and the Subsidiary Guarantors (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's current report on Form 8-K (Date of Report: October 31, 2005) and incorporated herein by reference)
4.8	Seventh Supplemental Indenture dated as of November 21, 2005, among the Company, the Trustee, and the Subsidiary Guarantors (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's current report on Form 8-K (Date of Report: November 21, 2005) and incorporated herein by reference)
4.9	Eighth Supplemental Indenture dated as of July 31, 2006, among the Company, the Trustee, and the Subsidiary Guarantors (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's current report on Form 8-K (Date of Report: July 31, 2006) and incorporated herein by reference)
4.10	Ninth Supplemental Indenture dated as of September 30, 2006, among the Company, the Trustee, and the Subsidiary Guarantors (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's current

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- 4.11 Tenth Supplemental Indenture, dated as of June 22, 2007 among the Company, the guarantors named therein and the Trustee (filed as an Exhibit to the Company's current report on Form 8-K (Date of Report: June 19, 2007) and incorporated herein by reference)

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- 4.15 Fourteenth Supplemental Indenture, dated as of March 24, 2011 among the Company, the guarantors named therein and the Trustee
- 4.16 Form of the Company's 3.200% Senior Note due 2016, including the form of guarantee endorsed thereon (incorporated by reference to Exhibit A to Exhibit 4.15 hereof)
- 4.17 Form of the Company's 4.700% Senior Note due 2021, including the form of guarantee endorsed thereon (incorporated by reference to Exhibit B to Exhibit 4.15 hereof)
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- 5.1 Opinion of Shearman & Sterling LLP, counsel to the Company
- 12.1 Computation of Ratio of Earnings to Fixed Charges
- 23.1 Consent of Shearman & Sterling LLP (included in Exhibit 5.1)
- 99.1 Press Release Announcing the Offering, dated March 21, 2011

Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

March 25, 2011

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By: /S/ WILLIAM J. O'SHAUGHNESSY, JR.
Secretary

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