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language pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, as amended, indicating that certain statements about Charles River's business contained in the press release are "forward-looking" rather than historic. The press release also states that these and other risks relating to Charles River are set forth in the documents filed by Charles River with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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SIGNATURES

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

CHARLES RIVER LABORATORIES INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Dated: April 28, 2004

By: /s/ Dennis R. Shaughnessy

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Dennis R. Shaughnessy, Senior Vice  
President, Corporate Development, General  
Counsel and Secretary

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Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. -----	Description -----
99.1	Press release dated April 28, 2004.

