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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 McCutcheon Jeffrey A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O LABRANCHE & CO INC., 33
 WHITEHALL STREET

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10004

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 LABRANCHE & CO INC [LAB]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 01/20/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 SVP and CFO

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | |
| "LAB" Common Stock | 01/20/2009 | | M | A | \$ 6,666 4.83 | 18,347 | D |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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| 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Pr Deriv Secur (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|------------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | \$ 4.83 | 01/20/2009 | | M | 6,666 | <u>(1)</u> <u>(1)</u> | "LAB" Common Stock | 6,666 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| McCutcheon Jeffrey A C/O LABRANCHE & CO INC. 33 WHITEHALL STREET NEW YORK, NY 10004 | | | SVP and CFO | |

Signatures

Jeffrey A.
 McCutcheon 01/26/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive a share of LAB Common Stock. The reporting person received 10,000 restricted stock units on January 18, 2006 and 10,000 restricted stock units on January 18, 2007, each of which vest in equal one-third installments on each of the three anniversaries of the grant date; therefore, 6,666 shares of LAB common stock vested on January 20, 2009, the first trading day following the vesting date.

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