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General Compensation FAQs

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This communication does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy any securities or a solicitation of any vote or approval. This document relates to a proposed transaction between Covance and LabCorp, which will become the subject of a registration statement and joint proxy statement/prospectus forming a part thereof to be filed with the SEC by LabCorp, and may be deemed to be solicitation material in respect of the proposed transaction. This document is not a substitute for the registration statement and joint proxy statement/prospectus that LabCorp will file with the SEC or any other documents that Covance or LabCorp may file with the SEC or send to stockholders in connection with the proposed transaction. Before making any voting decision, investors and security holders are urged to read the registration statement, joint proxy statement/prospectus and all other relevant documents filed or that will be filed with the SEC in connection with the proposed transaction as they become available because they will contain important information about the proposed transaction and related matters.

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In addition, investors and security holders will be able to obtain free copies of the joint proxy statement/prospectus, once it is filed, from Covance by accessing Covance's website at www.covance.com or upon written request to Covance Inc., Office of the Secretary, 210 Carnegie Center, Princeton, New Jersey 08540.

Participants in Solicitation

LabCorp, Covance and their respective directors and executive officers may be deemed to be participants in the solicitation of proxies from Covance's stockholders in connection with the proposed transaction. Information regarding Covance's directors and executive officers is contained in the proxy statement for Covance's 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders, which was filed with the SEC on March 24, 2014. You can obtain a free copy of this document at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or by accessing Covance's website at www.covance.com. Information regarding LabCorp's executive officers and directors is contained in the proxy statement for LabCorp's 2014 Annual Meeting of Shareholders filed with the SEC on April 4, 2014. You can obtain a free copy of this document at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov or by accessing LabCorp's website at www.labcorp.com. Additional information regarding the interests of those persons and other persons who may be deemed participants in the proposed transaction may be obtained by reading the joint proxy statement/prospectus regarding the proposed transaction when it becomes available. You may obtain free copies of this document as described in the preceding paragraph.

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General Compensation:

1.

How is my total compensation (base salary, bonus target and equity) impacted after I transition from Covance to LabCorp upon the closing of the merger agreement?

LabCorp is committed, for a period of one year following the closing as we integrate our businesses, to providing continuing employees with annual base compensation and annual target cash incentive amounts that are comparable to the annual base compensation and annual target cash incentive amounts provided to employees by Covance immediately prior to the closing. As we plan for the future, we will continue to be focused on a competitive total compensation package.

For employees who are eligible to receive stock grants from Covance in 2015, the annual target cash incentive amounts described above will include the grant date target value of long-term incentive award opportunities provided to such employees by Covance immediately prior to the closing.

2. Will there be any changes to my total compensation after the one-year period following closing?

No decisions have been made at this time as to future changes. If there are any changes, information will be shared with employees as it is available.

- 3. Will my scheduled promotion and pay adjustment proceed as planned? Prior to the closing, Covance intends to continue implementing promotions and statutory pay adjustments in accordance with the ordinary course of business and in accordance with parameters agreed upon with LabCorp.
- 4. What will be the change to Covance Pay Structures?

 Covance Global Pay structures will remain in place up to closing. Additional time is needed to determine information and alignment of the LabCorp Pay Structures.

 Information on post-closing structures will be shared as it is available.

Recognition Program:

- 5. How long will the Covance Recognition program (inclusive: ACE, Service Awards, CWA and Leadership Awards) continue?

 Covance will continue to observe the current recognition program with respect to performance periods ending prior to the closing date. Information on the status of the program after closing will be shared as it is available.
- 6. Who should I contact regarding my current Recognition awards?

 Any technical questions may be directed to Globoforce Customer Service team by email at customerservice@ globoforce.com or by phone as follows:

USA: 1866 294 2290* Canada: 1866 299 8308*

UK: 0845 0800 572† Ireland: 01 409 8325†

France: 0811 63 00 65[†] Spain: 800 099 451*

Germany: 0180 200 1074† Italy: 800 985 499*

Netherlands: Rest of the World: 0900 040 0109† +353 1 409 8325

(Office hours: Mon-Fri 9am-5.30pm GMT / Mon-Sat 24 hours EST)

* Freephone † Local call rate

Or general program questions may be directed to mAPS by raising a question.

7. What happens when an employee has accumulated awards and leaves the Company?

Employees are requested to redeem all awards for gift certificates prior to their departure from the Company and may be reminded of this during the exit process.

2014 Year-End Process:

- 8. Will 2014 Year-End process still take place?
 Covance will continue with the Year-End process for 2014.
- 9. Will there be a 2015 Year-End process with LabCorp?
 Any future Year-End process will be communicated at the appropriate time.

2014 Bonus:

- 1. What will happen to the 2014 performance year bonus?

 The 2014 performance year bonus will be paid according to the
 Covance Annual Bonus Plan document under the same assumptions
 and timing that was in place prior to the LabCorp announcement.
- 2. What will happen to the 2015 performance year bonus? The 2015 performance year bonus will be determined solely by LabCorp leadership and communicated at the appropriate time.

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