

LABRANCHE & CO INC
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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 *
HAYWARD ALFRED O JR

(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)
06/28/2011

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
EVP; CEO of LaBranche & Co LLC

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price |
| "LAB" Common Stock | 06/28/2011 | | D ⁽¹⁾ | | 1,489,675 | D | 0 |

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
| Option to purchase "LAB" Common Stock | \$ 35 | 06/28/2011 | | D ⁽²⁾ | 30,000 | 01/17/2002 ⁽²⁾ 01/17/2012 ⁽²⁾ | "LAB" Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|--------------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| HAYWARD ALFRED O JR C/O LABRANCHE & CO INC. 33 WHITEHALL STREET NEW YORK, NY 10004 | X | | EVP; CEO of LaBranche & Co LLC | |

Signatures

Alfred O.
Hayward, Jr
Date: 06/29/2011
Signature of Reporting Person

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) Disposed of pursuant to Agreement and Plan of Merger among Cowen Group, Inc. ("Cowen"), Louisiana Merger Sub Inc. and LaBranche & Co Inc. ("LaBranche") dated February 16, 2011. Each share of LaBranche Common Stock was exchanged for 0.998 shares of Cowen Class A common stock having a market value of \$3.82 per share on the effective date of the merger.
 - (2) This option, which was 100% vested but unexercised, was terminated without consideration immediately prior to the effective time of the merger.

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