QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC

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November 12, 2009

Pricing Term Sheet

Term sheet

Registration Statement No. 333

To prospectus dated June 19, 2007 and

Filed Pursuant to Rule 433 of the Securities Act

preliminary prospectus supplement dated November 12, 2009

Free Writing Prospectus Dated November 12, 2009

\$750,000,000 Quest Diagnostics Incorporated

\$500,000,000 4.750% Senior Notes due 2020 \$250,000,000 5.750% Senior Notes due 2040

4.750% Senior Notes due 2020

Issuer: Quest Diagnostics Incorporated

Principal Amount: \$500,000,000

Maturity Date: January 30, 2020

Trade Date: November 12, 2009

Original Issue Date (Settlement): November 17, 2009

Interest Accrual Date: November 17, 2009

Issue Price (Price to Public): 98.491%

Yield: 4.938%

Interest Rate: 4.750% per annum

Interest Payment Period: Semi-annual

Interest Payment Dates: Each January 30 and July 30, commencing July 30, 2010

Treasury Benchmark: 3.625% due August 15, 2019

Spread to Benchmark: T+150 bps

Benchmark Yield: 3.438%

Optional Make-Whole Redemption:

At any time and from time to time, the notes will be redeemable, as a whole or it part, at the option of Quest Diagnostics, on at least 30 days, but not more than 6 days, prior notice mailed to the registered address of each holder of the notes, a

redemption price equal to the greater of:

- □ 100% of principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed, and
- ☐ the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments discounted, on a semiannual basis, assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months, at the applicable treasury rate plus 25 basis points,

plus accrued interest to the date of redemption which has not been paid.

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ISIN: US74834LAP58

Joint Book-Running Managers: Banc of America Securities LLC

Morgan Stanley & Co. Incorporated

RBS Securities Inc.

Wells Fargo Securities, LLC

Co-Managers: Barclays Capital Inc.

Calyon Securities (USA), Inc. J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.

Mitsubishi UFJ Securities (USA), Inc. U.S. Bancorp Investments, Inc.

Global Settlement:

Through The Depository Trust Company, Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembour

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5.750% Senior Notes due 2040

Joint Book-Running Managers:

Issuer: Quest Diagnostics Incorporated **Principal Amount:** \$250,000,000 **Maturity Date:** January 30, 2040 **Trade Date:** November 12, 2009 **Original Issue Date (Settlement):** November 17, 2009 **Interest Accrual Date:** November 17, 2009 **Issue Price (Price to Public):** 97.228% Yield: 5.947% **Interest Rate:** 5.750% per annum **Interest Payment Period:** Semi-annual Each January 30 and July 30, commencing July 30, 2010 **Interest Payment Dates: Treasury Benchmark:** 4.250% due May 15, 2039 **Spread to Benchmark:** T+155 bps **Benchmark Yield:** 4.397% **Optional Make-Whole Redemption:** At any time and from time to time, the notes will be redeemable, as a whole or part, at the option of Quest Diagnostics, on at least 30 days, but not more than 6 days, prior notice mailed to the registered address of each holder of the notes, a redemption price equal to the greater of: □ 100% of principal amount of the Notes to be redeemed, and ☐ the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments discounted, on a semiannual basis, assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months, at the applicable treasury rate plus 25 basis points, plus accrued interest to the date of redemption which has not been paid. **CUSIP:** 74834L AQ3 ISIN: US74834LAQ32

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