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August 12, 2002

Via Airborne

Jonathan G. Katz
Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, DC. 20549

Re: SEC Order No. 4-460

Dear Mr. Katz:

Pursuant to Order No. 4-460 of the Securities and Exchange Commission, enclosed is a certificate executed by Kenneth W. Freeman (the Chief Executive Officer of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated) and a certificate executed by Robert A. Hagemann (the Chief Financial Officer of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated) each in the form of Exhibit A to Order No. 4-460.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Leo C. Farrenkopf, Jr.', written over a faint, illegible background.

Leo C. Farrenkopf, Jr.
Vice President and Secretary

Cc: Kenneth W. Freeman
Robert A. Hagemann

Enc.

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**STATEMENT UNDER OATH OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND
PRINCIPAL FINANCIAL OFFICER REGARDING FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES
RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACT FILINGS**

I, Robert A. Hagemann, state and attest that:

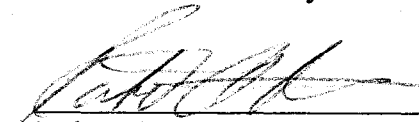
(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated, and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).


(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Audit and Finance Committee of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

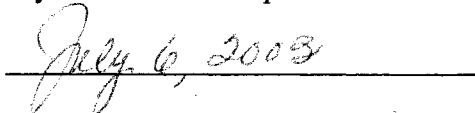
- the Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated;
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to any of the foregoing.


 Robert A. Hagemann
 Chief Financial Officer
 August 12, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to
Before me this 12th day of
August 2002.


 Notary Public

My Commission Expires:



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BRENDA N. PEREIRA
 Notary Public of New Jersey
 My Commission Expires July 6, 2003