

DEBOER SIDNEY B  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
LITHIA HOLDING CO LLC

(Last) (First) (Middle)

150 NORTH BARTLETT STREET

(Street)

MEDFORD, OR 97501

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
LITHIA MOTORS INC [LAD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
09/13/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 or Price   |  |                                   |
| Class A Common                  | 09/13/2012                           |  | C                              |   | 3,494 A \$ 0  | D  |                                   |
| Class A Common                  | 09/13/2012                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 449 D \$ 32.09  | D  |                                   |
| Class A Common                  | 09/13/2012                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 100 D \$ 32.1   | D  |                                   |
| Class A Common                  | 09/13/2012                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 100 D \$ 32.12  | D  |                                   |
| Class A Common                  | 09/13/2012                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 400 D \$ 32.14  | D  |                                   |
|                                 | 09/13/2012                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 500 D   | D  | 1,945                             |

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|-------------------|------------|------------------|-----|---|--|-------------|-------|---|
| Class A<br>Common |            |                  |     |   |  | \$<br>32.15 |       |   |
| Class A<br>Common | 09/13/2012 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 600 | D |  | \$<br>32.16 | 1,345 | D |
| Class A<br>Common | 09/13/2012 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 130 | D |  | \$<br>32.18 | 1,215 | D |
| Class A<br>Common | 09/13/2012 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 715 | D |  | \$<br>32.19 | 500   | D |
| Class A<br>Common | 09/13/2012 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 100 | D |  | \$<br>32.21 | 400   | D |
| Class A<br>Common | 09/13/2012 | S <sup>(1)</sup> | 400 | D |  | \$<br>32.23 | \$ 0  | 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)

| 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. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|---|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date   | Title   | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Class B<br>Common<br>(2)                   | (2)  | 09/13/2012                           |  | C                              | 3,494   | (2)  | (2)   | Class A<br>Common   | 3,494                      |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LITHIA HOLDING CO LLC<br>150 NORTH BARTLETT STREET<br>MEDFORD, OR 97501 |               |           | X       |       |

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MEDFORD, OR 97501

## Signatures

Cliff E Spencer, Attorney in Fact for Lithia Holding Company,  
LLC 09/13/2012

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

Cliff E Spencer, Attorney in Fact for Sidney B. DeBoer 09/13/2012

\_\_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) These shares were sold pursuant to 10b5-1 Trading Plan adopted by Lithia Holding Company
- (2) Class B Common converts to Class A Common on a 1:1 ratio at holder's discretion

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