LITHIA MOTORS INC Form 8-K February 08, 2006

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **FORM 8-K**

## CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 8, 2006

#### Lithia Motors, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Oregon 0-21789 93 - 0572810
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

360 E. Jackson Street <u>Medford, Oregon 97501</u> (Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number including area code 541-776-6868

#### Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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(17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))		

#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 8, 2006, Lithia Motors, Inc. issued a press release announcing financial results for the 4th quarter and the fiscal year ending December 31, 2005. A copy of the press release is attached as <a href="Exhibit 99.1">Exhibit 99.1</a>.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(a)	Not applicable.
(b)	Not applicable.

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(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Earnings Press Release

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

LITHIA MOTORS, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: February 8, 2006 By: <u>/s/ Kenneth E. Roberts</u>

Kenneth E. Roberts Assistant Secretary