DEBOER SIDNEY B

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A DEBOER S	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LITHIA MOTORS INC [LAD]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (M	liddle) 3. Date o	3. Date of Earliest Transaction				(Check all applicable)		
			/Day/Year) /2009				X DirectorX 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO		
	mendment, Date Original Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person				
MEDFORD	, OR 97501						Form filed by Person	More than One Ro	eporting
(City)	(State)	Zip) Tab	le I - Non-D	Perivative S	ecurit	ies Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common	04/01/2009		M	16,000	A	\$ 1	65,796	D	
Class A Common							79,500	I	Deboer Family, LLC (1)

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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$\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	iorDeriv Secur Acqu or Di (D)	urities uired (A) isposed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount of Number of Shares
Stock Option (2001) (NQ) (right to buy)	\$ 1	04/01/2009		M		16,000	12/26/2005	12/26/2010	Class A Common	16,00
Class B Common	\$ 0						(2)	(2)	Class A Common	3,762,2
Stock Option (2000sd) (NQ) (right to buy)	\$ 16.75						<u>(4)</u>	01/06/2010	Class A Common	22,01
Stock Option (2002nq) (right to buy)	\$ 15.13						12/26/2007	12/26/2012	Class A Common	16,00
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.42						03/11/2009	03/11/2010	Class A Common	16,00
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.58						02/09/2010	02/09/2011	Class A Common	20,00
Stock Option (2001nq) (right to buy)	\$ 19.24						12/26/2006	12/26/2011	Class A Common	16,00

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Stock Option (2001sd) (NQ) (right to purchase)	\$ 11.81	(5)	12/26/2010	Class A Common	31,78
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.67	03/10/2011	03/10/2012	Class A Common	24,00
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.34	03/09/2012	03/09/2013	Class A Common	24,00
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.38	03/10/2012	03/09/2014	Class A Common	25,00

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Reporting Owner Plante, Plantess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DEBOER SIDNEY B 360 E. JACKSON ST. MEDFORD, OR 97501	X	X	Chairman and CEO				

Signatures

By: Cliff E. Spencer,
Attorney-in-Fact for
04/02/2009

**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) Sidney B. Deboer is the trustee of the Sidney B. DeBoer Trust, which is the owner of a majority interest in the LLC and is the sole manager of the LLC
- (2) Class B Common converts to Class A Common on a 1:1 ratio at holder's discretion.
- Mr. DeBoer, through DeBoer Family, LLC, of which he is the sole manager, owns a majority interest in Lithia Holding Company, LLC, of which he is also the sole manager; and he has elected to report all Class B Common Stock owned by the Lithia Holding Company, LLC as being beneficially owned by him.
- (4) The options vest as follows: 13,627 on 1/6/01 and 8,383 on 1/6/02.
- (5) The options vest 8,360 shares on 12/26/00, 2,108 on 12/26/02, 10,565 on 12/26/03 and 10,755 on 12/26/04

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