

DEBOER SIDNEY B  
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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 \*  
DEBOER SIDNEY B

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
360 E. JACKSON ST.  
(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)  
02/11/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Chairman and CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
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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 (D) Price			
Class A Common	02/11/2010		P	5,000 A \$ 5.32	5,000	I	By IRA
Class A Common					69,796	D	
Class A Common					79,500	I	Deboer Family, LLC <sup>(1)</sup>

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)		
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class B Common	\$ 0					(2)	(2)	Class A Common	3,762,231
Stock Option (2000sd) (NQ) (right to buy)	\$ 16.75					(4)	01/06/2010	Class A Common	22,010
Stock Option (2002nq) (right to buy)	\$ 15.13					12/26/2007	12/26/2012	Class A Common	16,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.42					03/11/2009	03/11/2010	Class A Common	16,002
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.58					02/09/2010	02/09/2011	Class A Common	20,001
Stock Option (2001sd) (NQ) (right to purchase)	\$ 11.81					(5)	12/26/2010	Class A Common	31,788
	\$ 31.67					03/10/2011	03/10/2012		24,000

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Stock Option (right to buy)	Exercise Price	Grant Date	Expiration Date	Class	Quantity
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.34	03/09/2012	03/09/2013	Class A Common	24,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.38	03/10/2012	03/09/2014	Class A Common	25,000
Stock Option (2001nq) (right to buy)	\$ 19.24	12/26/2006	12/26/2011	Class A Common	16,000

## Reporting Owners

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

## Signatures

By: Kenneth E. Roberts, Attorney in Fact for  
Date: 02/04/2010

\_\_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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