#### **DEBOER SIDNEY B**

Form 4

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## FORM 4

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

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **DEBOER SIDNEY B** Issuer Symbol LITHIA MOTORS INC [LAD] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_\_ Director X\_\_ 10% Owner \_\_Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title 360 E. JACKSON ST. 08/17/2009 below) Chairman and CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting MEDFORD, OR 97501 Person

(City)	(State) (Zip	p) Table	I - Non-De	erivative S	ecuri	ties Acc	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	a	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) o of (D	)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A Common	08/17/2009		P	1,000	A	\$ 12	67,796	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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# $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (\emph{e.g.}, puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \\ \end{tabular}$

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			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)	<u>(2)</u>	Class A Common	3,762,231
Stock Option (2000sd) (NQ) (right to buy)	\$ 16.75					<u>(4)</u>	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 (2001nq) (right to buy)	\$ 19.24					12/26/2006	12/26/2011	Class A Common	16,000
Stock Option (2001sd) (NQ)	\$ 11.81					(5)	12/26/2010	Class A Common	31,788

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(right to purchase)					
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 31.67	03/10/2011 03/10	1/2012	Class A Common	24,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 28.34	03/09/2012 03/09	72013	Class A Common	24,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 9.38	03/10/2012 03/09	1/2014	Class A Common	25,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting of their runner, reduces	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

\*\*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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