

LITHIA MOTORS INC
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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 *
Holzshu Chris

(Last) (First) (Middle)
150 N. BARTLETT
(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)
02/21/2014

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)
Sr. Vice President & CFO

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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|---|
| | | | Code | V | Amount or Price | | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/21/2014 | | M | | 9,370 (1) | A | (2) 52,160 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/21/2014 | | A | | 8,783 (3) | A | (2) 60,943 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 02/21/2014 | | F | | 3,405 (4) | D | \$ 60.49 57,538 | D |
| Class A Common | 02/24/2014 | | M | | 10,000 | A | \$ 5.37 67,538 | D |

Stock

Class A

Common 02/24/2014 S 17,541 D \$ 60 49,997 D
Stock

Class A

Common 2,628 I By 401(k)
Stock (5)

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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable Expiration Date | Title |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 5.37 | 02/24/2014 | | M | 10,000 | 08/11/2012 08/11/2014 | Class A Common Stock 10 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|--------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Holzshu Chris 150 N. BARTLETT MEDFORD, OR 97501 | | | Sr. Vice President & CFO | |

Signatures

Larissa McAlister,
Attorney-in-Fact 02/25/2014

**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).

- 6,442 shares were issued in settlement of restricted stock units that were earned and vested under a long-term restricted stock unit agreement. 2,928 shares were issued in settlement of restricted stock units that were earned and vested under a performance and time restricted stock unit agreement. Restricted stock units that were earned but remain subject to time vesting under the performance and time restricted stock unit agreement are shown on the next line of Table 1 and described in footnote 4.
- (1) Restricted stock units convert into Class A Common Stock on a one-for-one basis.
 - (2) Restricted stock units were awarded and earned but are subject to time vesting under a performance and time restricted stock unit agreement.
 - (3) Shares were withheld by the issuer to cover withholding taxes upon vesting of restricted stock units.
 - (4) Includes 12 shares acquired under the dividend reinvestment feature of Lithia Motors, Inc.'s Salary Reduction Profit Sharing Plan.

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