

LITHIA MOTORS INC
Form 8-K
March 30, 2012

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 and Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report: March 27, 2012

(Date of earliest event reported)

Lithia Motors, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Oregon

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

0-21789

(Commission File (IRS Employer

Number)

93 - 0572810

Identification No.)

360 E. Jackson Street

Medford, Oregon 97501

(address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

541-776-6868

Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code

Not applicable

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

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 27, 2012, Lithia Motors, Inc. (the “Company”) completed the previously announced sale to Vice Chairman M. L. Dick Heimann of 80% ownership interests in three Company stores (Nissan, Volkswagen and BMW) in Medford, Oregon.

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)

By: /s/ John North

John North

Date: March 30, 2012 Vice President, Finance and

Corporate Controller