

LITHIA MOTORS INC

Form 8-K

April 19, 2017

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 Exchange Act of 1934**

Date of Report: April 19, 2017

(Date of earliest event reported)

Lithia Motors, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

OR

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

001-14733

(Commission File
Number)

93-0572810

(IRS Employer

Identification Number)

150 N. Bartlett St, Medford, OR

(Address of principal executive offices)

97501

(Zip Code)

541-776-6401

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Indicate by check box whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On April 19, 2017 Lithia Motors, Inc. issued a press release announcing financial results for the first quarter of 2017. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1

Item 8.01. Other Events

On April 19, 2017, Lithia Motors, Inc. announced a \$0.27 per share cash dividend, to be paid on May 26, 2017 to shareholders of record as of May 12, 2017.

The information furnished in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of Lithia Motors, Inc. dated April 19, 2017

SIGNATURE

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.

Dated: April **LITHIA MOTORS, INC.**
19,
2017

By: /s/ John F. North III
John F. North III
Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit Index

Exhibit No. Description

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