#### DEBOER BRYAN B

Form 4

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# FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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 BRYAN B Issuer Symbol LITHIA MOTORS INC [LAD] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Officer (give title \_ Other (specify 150 N. BARTLETT 02/22/2018 below) Chief Executive Officer (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

MEDFORD, OR 97501

Common

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secur	rities Acqui	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	(A) or	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock	02/22/2018		Code V  A	7,762 (1)	(D)	Price \$ 0 (2)	89,776	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/22/2018		F	3,752 (3)	D	\$ 110.04	86,024	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/22/2018		A	27,026 (4)	A	\$ 0 (2)	113,050	D	
Class A							1,547	I	by

Daughter

Stock

Class A

Common 1,547 I by Son

Stock

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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. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Secur (Instr.	int of lying	8. Price o Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DEBOER BRYAN B 150 N. BARTLETT MEDFORD, OR 97501

Chief Executive Officer

### **Signatures**

By: Tina Miller, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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).

Shares of Class A Common Stock were issued in settlement of restricted stock units that were earned and vested under a long-term (1) restricted stock unit agreement entered into in 2015. Compensation Committee certification of the achievement of the performance criteria for the award occurred on the transaction date.

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- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A Common Stock.
- (3) Shares were withheld by the issuer to cover withholding taxes upon vesting of restricted stock units.
- Restricted stock units were awarded and earned under a performance and time-vesting restricted stock unit agreement entered into in 2017. Compensation Committee certification of the achievement of the performance condition for the award occurred on the transaction date. Subject to the reporting persons continued employment with the issuer or any of its subsidiaries, the restricted stock units vest in equal installments on January 1 of each of 2019, 2020 and 2021.

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