

SAIA INC  
Form 8-K  
November 01, 2012

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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 (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

October 26, 2012

Saia, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

0-49983

48-1229851

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

11465 Johns Creek Parkway, Suite 400, Johns  
Creek, Georgia

30097

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

770-232-5067

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:

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- 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))



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**Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.**

On October 26, 2012, Saia, Inc. (the Company) entered into an Executive Severance Agreement with Brian A. Balius. The Executive Severance Agreement is attached hereto as Exhibit 10.1 and incorporated by reference into this Item 5.02. The Agreement provides that in the event of a "Change of Control" of the Company followed within two years by (i) the termination of Mr. Balius' employment for any reason other than death, disability, retirement or "cause" or (ii) the resignation of Mr. Balius due to an adverse change in title, authority or duties, a transfer to a new location, a reduction in salary, or a reduction in fringe benefits or annual bonus below a level consistent with the Company's practice prior to a Change of Control, Mr. Balius shall (i) be paid a lump sum cash amount equal to the sum of two times the executive's highest compensation (salary plus annual bonus) for any consecutive 12 month period within the previous three years; and (ii) remain eligible for coverage under applicable medical, life insurance and long-term disability plans for two years following termination.

For the purpose of the Executive Severance Agreement, a "Change of Control" will be deemed to have taken place if: (i) a third person, including a "group" as defined in Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, purchases or otherwise acquires shares of the Company and as a result thereof becomes the beneficial owner of shares of the Company having 20% or more of the total number of votes that may be cast for the election of directors of the Company; or (ii) as the result of, or in connection with any cash tender or exchange offer, merger or other business combination, or contested election, or any combination of the foregoing transactions, the directors then serving on the Board of Directors cease to constitute a majority of the Board of Directors of the Company or any successor to the Company.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

10.1 Executive Severance Agreement between Brian A. Balius and Saia, Inc. dated as of October 26, 2012.

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**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.

Saia, Inc.

*November 1, 2012*

*By: James A. Darby*

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*Name: James A. Darby*

*Title: Vice President of Finance and Chief Financial Officer*

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