LITHIA MOTORS INC

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Liang Georg	*	-	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LITHIA MOTORS INC [LAD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction		(Check an applicable)				
150 N. BARTLETT			(Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2016	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President				
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check				
MEDFORD, OR 97501			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securit	ties Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficiall	y 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. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	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)

		Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A Common Stock	02/22/2016	A		1,823 (1)	A	\$ 0 (2)	2,075	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/22/2016	A		2,279 (3)	A	\$ 0 (2)	4,354	D	
Class A Common Stock	02/22/2016	F		1,017 (4)	D	\$ 87.04	903 (5)	D	
Class A Common							903	I	Ву

By 401(k)

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)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	7. Titl Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative 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

Liang George Chun-Wai 150 N. BARTLETT MEDFORD, OR 97501

Senior Vice President

Signatures

By: Larissa McAlister, Attorney-in-Fact

02/24/2016

**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).

Restricted stock units were awarded and earned under a performance and time-vesting restricted stock unit agreement entered into in 2015. Compensation Committee certification of the achievement of the performance condition for the award occurred on the transaction

- (1) date. 456 shares of Class A Common Stock were issued in settlement of an equal number of restricted stock units. Subject to the reporting persons continued employment with the issuer or any of its subsidiaries, the remaining restricted stock units vest in equal installments on January 1 of each of 2017, 2018 and 2019.
- (2) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A Common Stock.

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- Shares of Class A Common Stock were issued in settlement of restricted stock units that were earned and vested under a long-term (3) restricted stock unit agreement entered into in 2015. Compensation Committee certification of the achievement of the performance
- (3) restricted stock unit agreement entered into in 2015. Compensation Committee certification of the achievement of the performance condition of the award occurred on the transaction date.
- (4) Shares were withheld by the issuer to cover withholding taxes upon vesting of restricted stock units.
- (5) Includes 252 shares acquired under the issuer's employee stock purchase plan.

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