LITHIA MOTORS INC

Form 4

September 01, 2005

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A GRAY R B	Symbol	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol LITHIA MOTORS INC [LAD]			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (Middle) 3. Date	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Check all applicable)					
360 E. JAC	`	(Month/Day/Year) 08/31/2005			ve title Other below) tive Vice Preside			
	4. If Am	4. If Amendment, Date Original			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
MEDFORD	Filed(M	Filed(Month/Day/Year)			Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ole I - Non-l	Derivative Securities Acq	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year)		Code	4. Securities Acquired ton(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		

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. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		, , ,
Class A Common	08/31/2005		S	950	D	\$ 29.3	47,000	D	
Class A Common	08/31/2005		S	1,000	D	\$ 29.63	46,000	D	
Class A Common	08/31/2005		S	1,000	D	\$ 29.74	45,000	D	
Class A Common	08/31/2005		S	2,000	D	\$ 29.66	43,000	D	
Class A	08/31/2005		S	2,000	D	\$ 29.65	41,000	D	

29.65

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Class A 08/31/2005 S 1,000 D \$ 29.7 40,000 D Common

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Class B Common	\$0					<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Class A Common	278,978
Stock Option (1997) (NQ) (right to buy)	\$ 1					<u>(2)</u>	12/31/2005	Class A Common	2,909
Stock Option (1998b) (ISO) (right to buy)	\$ 14.75					<u>(3)</u>	12/31/2005	Class A Common	8,000
Stock Option (1999) (ISO) (right to buy)	\$ 16.5					01/01/2004	01/01/2009	Class A Common	6,060
Stock Option (1999b)	\$ 16.5					01/01/2005	01/01/2009	Class A Common	1,940

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(ISO) (right to buy)					
Stock Option (2000) (NQ) (right to buy)	\$ 16.75	01/06/2005	01/06/2010	Class A Common	3,941
Stock Option (2000b) (ISO) (right to buy)	\$ 16.75	<u>(4)</u>	01/06/2010	Class A Common	15,949
Stock Option (2000c) (NQ) (right to buy)	\$ 16.75	<u>(5)</u>	01/06/2010	Class A Common	8,110
Stock Option (2001iso) (right to buy)	\$ 19.24	12/26/2006	12/26/2011	Class A Common	5,197
Stock Option (2002iso) (right to buy)	\$ 15.13	12/26/2007	12/26/2012	Class A Common	6,609
Stock Option (2002nq) (right to buy)	\$ 15.13	12/26/2007	12/26/2012	Class A Common	5,391
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 29.42	03/11/2009	03/11/2010	Class A Common	12,000
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 27.58	02/09/2010	02/09/2011	Class A Common	14,001
Stock Option	\$ 1	12/26/2005	12/26/2010	Class A Common	12,000

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(2001) (NQ) (right to buy)

Stock Option

(2001nq) \$ 19.24

(right to buy)

12/26/2006 12/26/2011 Class A

Class A Common 6,803

Reporting Owners

Relationships						
Director 10% Owner		Officer	Other			
X		Executive Vice President				

Signatures

By: Cliff E. Spencer,
Attorney-in-Fact for

09/01/2005

**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).
- (1) Class B Common converts to Class A Common on a 1:1 ratio at holder's discretion.
- (2) The options vest as to 20% of the total grant on the date of grant and 20% each anniversary date thereafter.
- (3) The options vest as follows: 1,221 on 12/31/02; and 6,779 on 1/1/03.
- (4) The options vest as follows: 3,498 on 12/31/00; 3,498 on 1/6/01; and 4,894 on 1/6/02.
- (5) The options vest as to 50% of total grant on 3rd anniversary of grant date and remaining 50% on 4th anniversary date.

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