

LITHIA MOTORS INC
Form 8-K
October 24, 2012

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: October 24, 2012
(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:

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

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On October 24, 2012, Lithia Motors, Inc. issued a press release announcing financial results for third quarter of 2012. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 8.01. Other Events

On October 24, 2012, Lithia Motors, Inc. announced a \$0.10 per share cash dividend, to be paid on November 23, 2012 to shareholders of record as of November 9, 2012.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial statements:

None

(b) Pro forma financial information:

None

(c) Shell company transactions:

None

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of Lithia Motors, Inc. dated October 24, 2012

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: October 24, 2012
LITHIA MOTORS, INC.

By: /s/ Christopher S. Holzshu
Christopher S. Holzshu
SVP and CFO

Exhibit Index **Exhibit No.** **Description** 99.1 Press Release of Lithia Motors, Inc. dated October 24, 2012