

LITHIA MOTORS INC
Form 8-K
September 13, 2016

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: September 13, 2016
(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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Item 7.01. Regulation FD Disclosure

On September 13, 2016 , Lithia Motors, Inc., an Oregon corporation, announced the acquisition of the Carbone Auto Group, a 10 store platform located in New York and Vermont.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated in this Item 7.01 by reference. As provided in General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information in the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference in this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release of Lithia Motors, Inc. dated September 13, 2016

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: September 13, 2016

LITHIA MOTORS, INC.

By: /s/ John F. North III

John F. North III

VP Finance / Chief Accounting Officer

Exhibit Index **Exhibit No. Description** 99.1 Press Release of Lithia Motors, Inc. dated September 13, 2016