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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): April 2, 2009

#### Lithia Motors, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Oregon
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-21789

(Commission File Number)

<u>93 - 0572810</u>

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

360 E. Jackson Street

Medford, Oregon 97501

(Address of Principal Executive Office)

Registrant's telephone number including area code 541-776-6868

#### Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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### Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement

By an agreement dated effective March 31, 2009, Lithia Motors, Inc. and U.S. Bank, N.A., as agent for the lenders under the credit facility, amended the Loan Agreement, dated August 31, 2006. The Sixth Amendment to Loan Agreement modifies the financial covenants for Total Net Worth, and Current Ratio; reduces the maximum amount of the revolving loan commitment and swingline commitment to be provided under the credit facility; and approves divestiture of certain assets. A copy of the Sixth Amendment to Loan Agreement is attached to this report.

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- (a) Not applicable.
- (b) Not applicable.
- (c) Not applicable.
- (d) Exhibits.

10.1 Sixth Amendment to Loan Agreement

#### **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.

LITHIA MOTORS, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: April 07, 2009 By: /s/ Kenneth E. Roberts

Kenneth E. Roberts Assistant Secretary