LITHIA MOTORS INC Form 8-K October 24, 2006

## **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):

October 23, 2006

#### Lithia Motors, Inc.

(Exact Name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

0-21789 93 - 0572810 <u>Oregon</u>

(State or other jurisdiction of

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

incorporation)

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 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On October 23 2006, Lithia Motors, Inc. issued a press release announcing the acquisition of a BMW and a Porsche store in Seaside, California. A copy of the press release is attached as <a href="Exhibit 99.1">Exhibit 99.1</a>.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

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

  99.1 Press Release

# 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: October 24, 2006 By: <u>/s/ Kenneth E. Roberts</u>

Kenneth E. Roberts Assitant Secretary