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SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC Form 8-K April 27, 2010

# 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 27, 2010

### SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### **Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-13395 56-201079

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

#### 6415 Idlewild Road, Suite 109 Charlotte, North Carolina

28212

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (704) 566-2400

#### N/A

(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:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On April 27, 2010, we issued a press release announcing results for our fiscal quarter ended March 31, 2010.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. A copy of the earnings call presentation materials is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2.

#### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits.
  - 99.1 Press release of Sonic Automotive, Inc. dated April 27, 2010
  - 99.2 Earnings call presentation materials

#### **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.

#### SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.

By: /s/ Stephen K. Coss Stephen K. Coss

Senior Vice President and General

Counsel

Dated: April 27, 2010

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