

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC
Form 8-K
February 20, 2019

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): February 20, 2019

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

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| 1-13395 | 56-2010790 |
| (Commission | (IRS |
| File Number) | Employer |
| | Identification |
| | No.) |

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| 4401 Colwick | |
| Road | |
| Charlotte, | 28211 |
| North | |
| Carolina | |
| (Address of | |
| principal | (Zip Code) |
| executive | |
| offices) | |

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

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))

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

Indicate by
check mark
whether the
registrant is
an emerging
growth
company as
defined in
Rule 405 of
the Securities
Act of 1933
(§230.405 of
this chapter)
or Rule 12b-2
of the
Securities
Exchange Act
of 1934
(§240.12b-2
of this
chapter).
Emerging
growth
company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On February 20, 2019, Sonic Automotive, Inc. (the “Company”) issued a press release announcing its financial results for its fiscal fourth quarter and fiscal year ended December 31, 2018 (the “Earnings Press Release”). A copy of the Earnings Press Release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and a copy of the earnings call presentation materials is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.2.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description |
|-------------|---|
| 99.1 | <u>Press Release of Sonic Automotive, Inc., dated February 20, 2019</u> |
| 99.2 | <u>Earnings Call Presentation Materials</u> |

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including the exhibits attached hereto, is being furnished and shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the “Exchange Act”), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall it be deemed to be 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 any such filing.

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.

Date: /s/
February 20, 2019 By: STEPHEN
K. COSS
Stephen K.
Coss
Senior Vice
President
and General
Counsel