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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ODELL RICHARD D Issuer Symbol SAIA INC [SAIA] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, 03/19/2007 below) below) SUITE 400 President & CEO of Saia (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

DULUTH, GA 30097

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Amount (D) Price Common 03/19/2007 M 6,000 12,000 D 4.123 Stock

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu (A) o Disp (D)	rities aired or osed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exerci Expiration Dat (Month/Day/Y	ie e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Phantom Stock	\$ 0						<u>(1)</u>	(2)	Common Stock	34,969.34
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 4.363						10/25/2002	10/25/2010	Common Stock	30,017
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 23						02/03/2008	02/02/2012	Common Stock	5,880
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.72						02/02/2010	02/01/2017	Common Stock	19,990
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.72						02/02/2010	02/01/2014	Common Stock	11,750
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 27.38						01/28/2009	01/27/2013	Common Stock	9,560
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 4.123	03/19/2007		M		6,000	12/15/2009	12/15/2009	Common Stock	6,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
owner (water)	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ODELL RICHARD D						
11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, SUITE 400			President & CEO of Saia			
DULUTH, GA 30097						

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James A. Darby 03/19/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

Date

- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (2) The shares of phantom stock become payable, in cash, upon reporting person's termination of service as an employee.
- (1) Immediate
- (3) Conversion rate of this derivative security on March 15, 2007 is 0.7889 resulting in 27,588.342 shares of common stock (underlying security in column 7).

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