ODELL RICHARD D

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

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 Other (specify X_ Officer (give title 11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, 03/09/2011 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) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative	Securi	ties Acqu	iired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	str. 8) (A)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/09/2011		A	10,076 (5)	A	\$ 15.49 (5)	62,938	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2011		F	3,328 (6)	D	\$ 15.49 (6)	59,610	D	
Common Stock	03/09/2011		F	2,759 (7)	D	\$ 15.49	56,851	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.1					02/02/2013	02/01/2017	Common Stock	22,360
Phantom Stock	\$ 0 (2)					<u>(3)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock	41,565.79
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 23					02/03/2008	02/02/2012	Common Stock	5,880
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 27.38					01/28/2009	01/27/2013	Common Stock	9,560
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.72					02/02/2010	02/01/2014	Common Stock	11,750
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.72					02/02/2010(1)	02/01/2017	Common Stock	19,990
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.71					02/01/2011	01/31/2015	Common Stock	26,040
	\$ 11.96					02/03/2012	02/02/2016		22,400

Stock
Options
(Right to
Buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ODELL RICHARD D 11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, SUITE 400 JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097

President & CEO of Saia

Signatures

/s/ Stephanie R.
Maschmeier
03/10/2011

**Signature of Reporting Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) The options vest one-third in year three, one-third in year four and one-third in year five.
- (2) Conversion rate of this derivative security on March 9, 2011 is 0.8441 resulting in 35,084.94 shares of common stock (underlying security in column 7).
- (3) Immediate
- (4) The shares of phantom stock become payable, in stock, upon reporting person's termination of service as an employee
- (5) Issuance of Performance Unit Awards under the Amended and Restated 2003 Omnibus Incentive Plan for the 2008-2010 performance period.
- (6) Shares withheld at officer's election to cover tax liabilities incurred upon the issuance of Performance Unit Awards under the Amended and Restated 2003 Omnibus Incentive Plan for the 2008-2010 performance period.
- (7) Shares withheld at officer's election to cover tax liabilities incurred in connection with the vesting of restricted shares awarded in February 2008.

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