Red Lion Hotels CORP Form 8-K March 29, 2010

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549 FORM 8-K Current Report Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 March 29, 2010 (March 23, 2010) Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) RED LION HOTELS CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Washington (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) 001-13957 (Commission file number) 91-1032187 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

201 W. North River Drive Suite 100 Spokane, Washington 99201 (Address of Principal Executive Offices, Zip Code)

(509) 459-6100

(Registrant s Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

(c) On March 23, 2010, the Company announced that its Board of Directors would be appointing Harry Sladich as Executive Vice President Sales and Marketing, effective May 3, 2010. Mr. Sladich has served as President and CEO of the Spokane Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau since May 2005. Prior to that, he was Vice President, Sales and Marketing for Sterling Hospitality in Spokane, Washington, where he was employed for five years.

(e) On March 23, 2010, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of Red Lion Hotels Corporation set the annual salary for Mr. Sladich at \$165,000, effective May 3, 2010, and approved granting Mr. Sladich restricted stock units under the Company s 2006 Stock Incentive Plan valued at \$24,750, effective May 3, 2010.

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.

RED LION HOTELS CORPORATION

Dated: March 29, 2010

By: /s/ Thomas L. McKeirnan Thomas L. McKeirnan Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary