SAIA INC Form 4 February 22, 2008

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction

(Middle)

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ALBANESE ANTHONY D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Symbol

SAIA INC [SAIA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

3.

Director 10% Owner

X_ Officer (give title below)

Other (specify below)

11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, 02/20/2008 SUITE 400

(Street)

(First)

(Month/Day/Year)

Sr. VP Operations & Sales 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

4. Securities

5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

D

Reported Transaction(s)

(A) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common Stock

18,000

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)

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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)	5. Number of or or Derivative Securities Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, a	.) or (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour Number Shares
Phantom Stock	(1)	02/20/2008		I	1,044.157	•	(2)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	1,044
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 14.71						02/01/2011	01/31/2015	Common Stock	12,
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 23						02/03/2008	02/02/2012	Common Stock	3,3
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 26.72						02/02/2010	02/01/2014	Common Stock	5,5
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$ 27.38						01/28/2009	01/27/2013	Common Stock	5,5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1.00	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ALBANESE ANTHONY D			Sr. VP			
11465 JOHNS CREEK PARKWAY, SUITE 400			Operations &			
JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097			Sales			

Signatures

James A. Darby 02/22/2008

**Signature of Person

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 conversion rate of this derivative security on February 20, 2008 is 0.8292 resulting in 28,834.11 shares of common stock (underlying security in column 7).
- (3) The shares of phantom stock become payable, in cash, upon reporting person's termination of service as an employee.

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(2) Immediate

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