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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Balius Brian A

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 11465 JOHNS CREEK
 PARKWAY, SUITE 400
 (Street)

JOHNS CREEK, GA 30097

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 SAIA INC [SAIA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 04/30/2013

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP-Linehaul & Ind Engineering

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/01/2013		M		2,105	A	\$ 40.6954
Common Stock	05/01/2013		S		2,105	D	\$ 40.6954
Common Stock	05/02/2013		M		115	A	\$ 40.65
Common Stock	05/02/2013		S		115	D	\$ 40.65
Common Stock	05/02/2013		M		4,910	A	\$ 40.65

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Common Stock 05/02/2013 S 4,910 D \$ 40.65 15,542 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		
				Code	V	(A)	(D)		Title	Amount Number Shares
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 40.92	04/30/2013		A		6,340		04/30/2016 04/29/2020	Common Stock	6,340
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.72	05/01/2013		M		2,105		02/02/2010 02/01/2014	Common Stock	2,105
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.72	05/02/2013		M		115		02/02/2010 02/01/2014	Common Stock	115
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 14.71	05/02/2013		M		4,910		02/01/2011 01/31/2015	Common Stock	4,910
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>							<u>(2)</u> <u>(3)</u>	Common Stock	9,389 <u>(1)</u>
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.96							02/03/2012 02/02/2016	Common Stock	4,650
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.1							02/02/2013 02/01/2017	Common Stock	4,650

Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.39	05/02/2014	05/01/2018	Common Stock	4,10
Stock Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 16.5	02/02/2015	02/02/2019	Common Stock	6,7

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
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Signatures

/s/ Stephanie R. Maschmeier 05/02/2013

Signature of Reporting 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) Conversion rate of this derivative security on April 30, 2013 is 0.8234 resulting in 7,730.86 shares of common stock (underlying security in column 7).
- (2) Immediate
- (3) The shares of phantom stock become payable in the Company's stock upon reporting person's termination of service as a Director.

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