

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Hanlon Bryan</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC.</u> <u>2905 PREMIERE PKWY NW, SUITE 300</u> (Street) <u>DULUTH</u> <u>GA</u> <u>30097</u> (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [</u> <u>ABG]</u> 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>03/18/2009</u> 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Controller & CAO</u> 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
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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, par value \$.01 per share	03/18/2009		A		200 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$0	450	D	

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 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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
							Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

1. These shares of the Issuer's common stock were awarded by the Issuer to the reporting person as settlement of certain non-derivative performance shares that were granted for the performance period of fiscal years 2006, 2007 and 2008 (the "Period"). Each performance share converts into one share of the Issuer's common stock and the vesting of such performance shares are contingent upon the Issuer meeting certain performance objective for the Issuer's earning per share and performance of its four revenue sources over the Period. Had the Issuer achieved 100% of its performance goals for the Period, the reporting person would have received 500 shares of common stock. The Issuer achieved 40% of its targeted performance goals for the Period and thus awarded the reporting person 200 shares of its common stock, representing 40% of the targeted amount.

Remarks:

Lynne A. Burgess, Attorney-in-Fact 03/20/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

* 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).

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