FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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*  JORDAN VERNON E JR					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [ NYSE: ABG ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specif				ner		
(Last)	Last) (First) (Middle) C/O LAZARD FRERES & CO LLC				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/09/2005								below)	(give title		Other (s <sub>i</sub> below)	респу		
30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA 62ND FLOOR						If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable					
(Street) NEW YORK NY 10020			10020										Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting  Person						
(City)	(St	ate)	(Zip)																
		Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivativ	re Se	curitie	s A	cquired,	Dis	osed o	f, or Bei	neficiall	y Owned						
Date				. Transactio ate Month/Day/\	Execution D			Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 5)		d (A) or r. 3, 4 and	5. Amour Securitie Beneficia Owned F Reported	s ally following	6. Own Form: I (D) or I (I) (Inst	Direct c ndirect E r. 4) C	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
							Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transact (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			,			
	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 Dat if any (Month/Day/Ye	Code	action (Instr.	n of		6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of		f Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	E C	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Non- Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$14.06	05/09/2005		A		5,000		05/09/2006	(1)	05/09/2015	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	5,000	\$0	18,000	0	D			

#### **Explanation of Responses:**

 $1.\ 1/3\ of\ the\ derivative\ securities\ set\ for th\ in\ column\ 5\ vest\ on\ each\ of\ the\ first\ three\ anniversary\ dates\ of\ the\ grant\ beginning\ on\ 05/09/2006.$ 

## Remarks:

Lynne A. Burgess, Attorney-in- 05/11/2005 **Fact** 

\*\* 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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