FORM 3

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* BRETT HUTCHINSON (Last) (First) (Middle) 3 LANDMARK SQUARE, SUITE 500	2. Date of Event Requiring Stater (Month/Day/Yea 10/23/2002	ment	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [NYSE: ABG] 4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director Direc							
(Street) STAMFORD CT 06901 (City) (State) (Zip)	-		Principal Accounting	below) g Officer			y One Reporting Person y More than One erson			
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned										
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			Nature of Indirect nstr. 5)	ture of Indirect Beneficial Ownership . 5)			
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share			2,000	D						
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)										
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/	ate	3. Title and Amount of Security Underlying Derivative Security	curity (Instr. 4) Conv		se Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)			
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	n Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivativ Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)				
Options on Common Stock	04/26/2000 ⁽¹⁾	04/26/2009	Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	3,879	12.89	D				
Options on Common Stock	07/11/2002 ⁽¹⁾	07/11/201	Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	3,879	12.89	D				
Options on Common Stock	03/13/2003 ⁽¹⁾	03/13/2012	Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share	4,545	16.5	D				

Explanation of Responses:

1. Vesting 1/3, 1/3, 1/3 at each of the first three anniversaries of the grant date, starting on the date indicated.

Remarks:

Brett Hutchinson

10/06/2003

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

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