

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>MONAGHAN CRAIG T</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP</u> <u>622 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR</u>  (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10017</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/12/2008</u>	3. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [ NYSE: ABG ]</u>		
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <div>Director10% Owner</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below)Other (specify below)</div> <div><u>SVP &amp; CFO</u></div>		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person</div> <div>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</div>		

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
No securities are beneficially owned	0	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Lynne A. Burgess, Attorney-in-Fact 05/14/2008  
\*\* 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 5 (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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

I, Craig T. Monaghan, hereby appoint Lynne A. Burgess and Philip R. Johnson of Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. (the "Company"), and each and either of them my attorneys-in-fact to:

1. execute on my behalf, Forms 3, 4 and 5 (the "Form" or "Forms") in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder, which execution may include the insertion of my typed name on the signature line of any Form;

2. perform any and all acts on my behalf which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any Form and timely file such Form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

3. take any other action in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorneys-in-fact may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by me, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorneys-in-fact on my behalf pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorneys-in-fact may approve in their discretion.

I grant to the attorneys-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any act necessary or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if personally present. I ratify and confirm all that such attorneys-in-fact shall lawfully do by the rights and powers granted by this Power of Attorney. The attorneys-in-fact shall have full power of substitution or revocation.

I acknowledge that the attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at my request, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of my responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until I am no longer required to file the Forms with respect to my holding of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless I earlier revoke it in writing delivered to the foregoing attorneys-in-fact.

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Craig T. Monaghan

Date: May 7, 2008

