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| (Print or Type Responses) | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting HOWARD ROBERT E II | Symbo | uer Name and Ticker or l UP 1 AUTOMOTIV | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | | |
| | GROI [GPI] | (Check all applicable) | | | | | | | |
| (Last) (First) 950 ECHO LANE, SUITE | (Middle) 3. Date (Month) 100 11/01 | | _X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) | | | | | | |
| (Street) | 4. If Ai Filed(M | ıl | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person | | | | | | |
| HOUSTON, TX 77024 — Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | | | | | | |
| (City) (State) | (Zip) Ta | ble I - Non-Derivative | Securities A | cquired, Dispose | d of, or Bene | eficially Owned | | | |
| 1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | | cosed of (D) and 5) (A) or | Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | 609,080 | D | | | | |
| Common Stock | | | | 230,000 | I | By Howard Investments, LLC | | | |

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By Texas

LP (1)

Automotive

Holdings, LP (2)
By Automotive

Holdings-Texas,

200,000

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| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 200 | D | \$ 55.5 | 198,865 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
|-----------------|------------|---|-----|---|-------------|---------|---|--|
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 50 | D | \$ 55.47 | 198,815 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 100 | D | \$ 55.39 | 198,715 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 50 | D | \$ 55.38 | 198,665 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 50 | D | \$ 55.34 | 198,615 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 200 | D | \$ 55.33 | 198,415 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 50 | D | \$ 55.32 | 198,365 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 200 | D | \$ 55.3 | 198,165 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 250 | D | \$ 55.29 | 197,915 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 150 | D | \$ 55.28 | 197,765 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 150 | D | \$ 55.27 | 197,615 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 350 | D | \$ 55.25 | 197,265 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 200 | D | \$ 55.24 | 197,065 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 350 | D | \$ 55.23 | 196,715 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 500 | D | \$ 55.22 | 196,215 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, |

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| | | | | | | | | LP (1) |
|-----------------|------------|---|-----|---|-------------|---------|---|--|
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 550 | D | \$ 55.21 | 195,665 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 200 | D | \$ 55.2 | 195,465 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 750 | D | \$ 55.19 | 194,715 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 250 | D | \$ 55.18 | 194,465 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 50 | D | \$ 55.17 | 194,415 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 400 | D | \$ 55.15 | 194,015 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 200 | D | \$ 55.14 | 193,815 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |
| Common Stock | 11/01/2006 | S | 150 | D | \$ 55.13 | 193,665 | I | By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1) |

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 5 | ate | 7. Title a Amount Underly: Securitie (Instr. 3 | of ing | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------|-----------------|--|-----------|---|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title A | | |

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Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

X

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HOWARD ROBERT E II 950 ECHO LANE SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77024

Signatures

/s/ Howard, II,

Robert E. 11/03/2006

**Signature of Reporting 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) Mr. Howard is the sole limited partner of Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP and the sole member of Automotive Holdings-Texas-GP, LLC, its sole general partner.
- (2) Howard Investments, LLC is the sole limited partner of Texas Automotive Holdings, LP and the sole member of Texas Automotive Holdings-GP, LLC, its sole general partner.

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