SALERNO F ROBERT

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

6 SYLVAN WAY

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

SALERNO F ROBERT

Symbol

AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC. [CAR]

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Zip)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

01/28/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

below)

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_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

President & COO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

6. Ownership

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054 (City) (State)

1. Title of

(Month/Day/Year)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Form: Direct (I)

7. Nature of Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A)

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

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and An Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **Transaction**Derivative **Expiration Date** Underlying Sec Securities Security or Exercise Code (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) any

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4, 5)	f (D)				
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	P P
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 0.79	01/28/2009		A	187,500		01/28/2011	01/28/2019	Common Stock	
Performance Vesting Stock Options	\$ 0.79	01/28/2009		A	187,500		01/28/2011(1)	01/28/2019	Common Stock	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
.r. g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
SALERNO F ROBERT							
6 SYLVAN WAY	X		President & COO				
PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054							

Signatures

(right to buy)

Jean M. Sera, by Power of Attorney for F. Robert
Salerno

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) This option will become exercisable if the average per-share closing price of the Company?s common stock equals or exceeds \$5.00 over any consecutive 20 trading days between the grant date and January 28, 2011.

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