#### SMITH J GORDON

Form 4

February 07, 2008

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SMITH J GORDON

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP

(Check all applicable)

INC [ABG]

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

Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

02/06/2008

below) Sr. Vice President & CFO

C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC., 622 THIRD **AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR** 

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

NEW YORK, NY 10017

(State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

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

Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) (D) Amount

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Reported

Common

per share

(City)

stock, par 02/06/2008 value \$.01

15,000 Α (1)

Code V

\$0 41,427

D

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#### Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH J GORDON C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC. 622 THIRD AVENUE, 37TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10017

Sr. Vice President & CFO

### **Signatures**

Lynne A. Burgess, 02/07/2008 Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

# **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).
- The reporting person was granted restricted stock under the Issuer's 2002 Equity Incentive Plan. The restricted stock vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 6, 2009.

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