

JORDAN VERNON E JR
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 JORDAN VERNON E JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [ABG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/01/2012

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

C/O LAZARD FRERE & CO.
 LLC, 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA,
 62ND FLOOR

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10020

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount or Price		
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	08/01/2012		M		1,667 A \$ 14.33	43,435	D
Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	08/01/2012		S		1,667 D \$ 25.9 (1)	41,768	D
Common Stock, par	08/01/2012		M		3,334 A \$ 14.06	45,102	D

value \$.01
per share

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	08/01/2012	S	3,334	D	\$ 25.77 <u>(2)</u>	41,768	D
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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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 14.33	08/01/2012		M	1,667	<u>(3)</u> 06/06/2014	Common stock, par value \$.01 per share	1,667
Stock option (right to buy)	\$ 14.06	08/01/2012		M	3,334	<u>(4)</u> 05/08/2015	Common stock, par value \$.01 per share	3,334

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JORDAN VERNON E JR
C/O LAZARD FRERE & CO. LLC
30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA, 62ND FLOOR
NEW YORK, NY 10020

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Signatures

Vernon E.
Jordan, Jr.

08/02/2012

 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).

Represents the weighted average share price of an aggregate total of 1,667 shares of the Issuer's common stock sold in the price range of
(1) \$25.87 to \$25.90 by the reporting person. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price.

Represents the weighted average share price of an aggregate total of 3,334 shares of the Issuer's common stock sold in the price range of
(2) \$25.75 to \$25.85 by the reporting person. The reporting person undertakes to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price

(3) The options vested in three equal installments on June 7, 2005, 2006 and 2007.

(4) The options vested in three equal installments on May 9, 2006, 2007 and 2008.

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