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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Kearney Michael Issuer Symbol ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP (Check all applicable) INC [ABG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE 03/04/2015 **EVP** GROUP, INC., 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **DULUTH, GA 30097** (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 7. Nature of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 10,601 03/04/2015 Α \$0 31,317 D M (1) Stock Common 4,448 03/04/2015 F D 26,869 D

(2)

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 or Derivative Securities Acqui (A) or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I red (Month/Day of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (E	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh	
Performance Share Units	(3)	03/04/2015		A	21,202	<u>(3)</u>	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock par value\$.01 per share	21,3	
Performance Share Units	(3)	03/04/2015		M	10,6	501 (3)	(3)	Common Stock par value\$.01 per share	10,	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Kearney Michael						
C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC.	X					
2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300	Λ		EVP			
DULUTH, GA 30097						

Signatures

/s/ George A. Villasana, Attorney in Fact 03/06/2015

**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) Represents shares of the Issuer's common stock issued upon the vesting of performance share units granted on February 5, 2014. This transaction represents the vesting of one-half of this award.
- (2) Represents the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock withheld for payment of taxes upon the vesting of performance share units, and the conversion of such units into shares of the Issuer's common stock, granted on February 5, 2014.
- Represents vesting of performance share units upon the Issuer having met certain performance objectives, which objectives were certified as having been met on March 4, 2015. Each performance share unit converts into one share of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting. One-half of the performance share units granted on February 5, 2014 vested upon certification of the objectives having been met, which occurred on March 4, 2015.

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