SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC

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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**

Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TAYLOR R EUGENE

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC [SAH]

(Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

(Month/Day/Year) 04/19/2016

C/O CAPITAL BANK FINANCIAL CORP., 4725 PIEDMONT ROW

(First)

Other (specify Officer (give title

below)

X Director

Applicable Line)

10% Owner

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(Street)

(State)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

CHARLOTTE, NC 28210

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned **Following** (Instr. 4) Reported

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

(A)

Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price (D) Code V Amount

Class A

Common 04/19/2016 Stock

Α 4.226

7,242

D

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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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1. Title of Derivative	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transactio	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration D		7. Title at Amount of		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(monda, Day, Teal)	(Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of (Month/Day/Ye Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	nount umber uares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

TAYLOR R EUGENE C/O CAPITAL BANK FINANCIAL CORP. 4725 PIEDMONT ROW DRIVE CHARLOTTE, NC 28210



Signatures

/s/ R. Eugene Taylor 04/19/2016

**Signature of Date
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).
- (1) Restricted stock granted pursuant to the Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2012 Formula Restricted Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

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