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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(City)

(State)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [NYSE: ABG] **ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE** (Month/Day/Year) **GROUP INC** 11/01/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE (Check all applicable) GROUP. 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300 Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (Street) Other 6. Individual or Joint/Group (give title below) (specify below) Filing(Check Applicable Line) Controller _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person DULUTH, GAÂ 30097 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security
2. Amount of Securities
3.
(Instr. 4)
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)
Form
Direct

3. 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
Form: (Instr. 5)
Direct (D)
or Indirect

or Indirect (I)
(Instr. 5)

Common stock, par value \$.01 per share $250 \frac{(1)}{}$ D Â

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

(Zip)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security
2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)
2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Securities Underlying Derivative Security
3. Title and Amount of Expiration Date Conversion Ownership or Exercise Form of (Instr. 5)

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(Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security: Date **Expiration Title** Amount or Security Direct (D) Exercisable Date Number of or Indirect Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director

Director

Director

Director

10% Owner

Officer

Other

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC

C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP

2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300

DULUTH, GAÂ 30097

Signatures

Lynne A. Burgess, Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) 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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