GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC

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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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Common

Stock

05/22/2012

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A QUINN ST	Address of Reporting Per EPHEN D	Symbol GROUI	r Name and Ticker or Trading P 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Mid	[GPI] ddle) 3. Date o	f Earliest Transaction	X Director 10% Owner			
800 GESSNER, SUITE 500		(Month/I 05/22/2	Day/Year) 1012	Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)			
	(Street)		endment, Date Original nth/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
HOUSTON, TX 77024				Form filed by One Reporting Person Person			
(City)	(State) (Zi	Tabl	le I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	a	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	5. Amount of Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	05/22/2012		M 10,000 A \$ 44.96	41,449.16 D			
Common			\$				

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of tiorDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 44.96	05/22/2012		M		10,000	05/22/2003	05/22/2012	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
1 8	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
QUINN STEPHEN D					
800 GESSNER	X				
SUITE 500	Λ				
HOUSTON, TX 77024					

Signatures

/s/ Beth Sibley, attorney-in-fact for Stephen D.

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05/24/2012

**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).

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$52.02 to \$52.69, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Group 1 Automotive, Inc., any security holder of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote 1 to this Form 4.

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