HESTERBERG EARL J

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HESTERBERG EARL J

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC

(Check all applicable)

[GPI]

(Middle)

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

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

800 GESSNER, SUITE 500

11/05/2010

President & CEO

(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 Person

HOUSTON, TX 77024

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

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

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

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

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

37.74

(Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

Common Stock

11/05/2010

F 2,187 D

540,664.14

D

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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	int of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
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					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
•	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
HESTERBERG EARL J								
800 GESSNER	X		President & CEO					

SUITE 500 HOUSTON, TX 77024

Signatures

By Beth Sibley, attorney-in-fact, for Earl J. Hesterberg /s/ Beth Sibley 11/09/2010

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
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