GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC Form 8-K February 17, 2011

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

# FORM 8-K

### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

February 17, 2011

# Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-13461

(Commission

File Number)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

800 Gessner, Suite 500, Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

76-0506313

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

77024

(Zip Code)

713-647-5700

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#### <u>Top of the Form</u> Item 8.01 Other Events.

On February 17, 2011, Group 1 Automotive, Inc., a Delaware corporation, announced that its board of directors approved a quarterly cash dividend of \$0.11 per share payable on March 15, 2011, to stockholders of record on March 1, 2011. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

99.1 Press release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of February 17, 2011.

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#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

February 17, 2011

By: /s/ Darryl M. Burman

Name: Darryl M. Burman Title: Vice President

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| 99.1        | Press release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc. dated as of February 17, 2011. |