GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC

Form 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1 Name and Address of Departing De

HOWARD ROBERT E II	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC [GPI]	S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 950 ECHO LANE, SUITE 100	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/02/2006	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
HOUSTON, TX 77024		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned									
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Do (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	11/02/2006		S	50	D	\$ 55.65	157,715	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)		
Common Stock	11/02/2006		S	150	D	\$ 55.62	157,565	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)		
Common Stock	11/02/2006		S	50	D	\$ 55.6	157,515	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)		
Common Stock	11/02/2006		S	50	D	\$ 55.59	157,465	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas,		

								LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	400	D	\$ 55.58	157,065	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	50	D	\$ 55.57	157,015	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	250	D	\$ 55.56	156,765	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	3,400	D	\$ 55.55	153,365	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	200	D	\$ 55.24	153,165	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	2,950	D	\$ 55.23	150,215	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	950	D	\$ 55.22	149,265	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	100	D	\$ 55.21	149,165	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	300	D	\$ 55.17	148,865	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	700	D	\$ 55.16	148,165	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	150	D	\$ 55.15	148,015	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	350	D	\$ 55.14	147,665	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	850	D	\$ 55.13	146,815	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	1,900	D	\$ 55.12	144,915	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)

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Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	2,100	D	\$ 55.11	142,815	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	11/02/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 55.1	141,715	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock						609,080	D	
Common Stock						230,000	I	By Howard Investments, LLC
Common Stock						125,000	I	By Texas Automotive Holdings, LP (2)

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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)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. conNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	3	ate	7. Title Amour Underl Securit (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HOWARD ROBERT E II 950 ECHO LANE SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77024	X						

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Signatures

/s/ Howard, II, Robert E.

11/06/2006

**Signature of Reporting

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).
- (1) Mr. Howard is the sole limited partner of Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP and the sole member of Automotive Holdings-Texas-GP, LLC, its sole general partner.
- (2) Howard Investments, LLC is the sole limited partner of Texas Automotive Holdings, LP and the sole member of Texas Automotive Holdings-GP, LLC, its sole general partner.

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