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Form 8-K
January 29, 2004

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): January 28, 2004

Group 1 Automotive, Inc.
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware | 1-13461 | 76-0506313 |
| (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) | (Commission File Number) | (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.) |

950 Echo Lane, Suite 100
Houston, Texas 77024
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

(713) 647-5700
(Registrant's telephone number including area code)

Item 9. Regulation FD Disclosure

On January 28, 2004, Group 1 Automotive, Inc., a Delaware corporation, announced that executive management will make a presentation at the JPMorgan High Yield Conference 2004 on Tuesday, February 3, 2004. The text of the press release is set forth below:

Group 1 Automotive to Present at JPMorgan Conference

HOUSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jan. 28, 2004--Group 1 Automotive, Inc. (NYSE:GPI), a Fortune 500 specialty retailer, announced that executive management will make a presentation at the JPMorgan Annual High Yield Conference 2004 being held in New Orleans on Tuesday, Feb. 3, 2004, at 10:40 a.m. Central Standard Time. The presentation will cover Group 1's financial results and an overview of company strategies.

A copy of the presentation will be available on Group 1's website at www.grouplauto.com.

About Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

Group 1 currently owns 74 automotive dealerships comprised of 116 franchises, 30 brands, and 27 collision service centers located in California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Massachusetts, New

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Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas. Through its dealerships and Internet sites, the company sells new and used cars and light trucks; arranges related financing, vehicle service and insurance contracts; provides maintenance and repair services; and sells replacement parts.

Group 1 Automotive can be reached on the Internet at www.grouplauto.com

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In accordance with General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information contained in such press release shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

January 29, 2004

By: /s/ Scott L. Thompson

Date

Scott L. Thompson, Executive Vice President,
Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer