

AUTONATION INC /FL
Form 8-K
March 07, 2006

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):

March 7, 2006

AutoNation, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

1-13107

73-1105145

(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

(Commission
File Number)

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

110 SE 6th Street, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida

33301

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:

(954) 769-6000

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 8.01 Other Events.

On March 7, 2006, AutoNation, Inc. (the "Company") issued a press release announcing that it intends to commence an offer to purchase for cash any and all of its outstanding 9% senior notes due 2008 in an aggregate principal amount of \$323.5 million (the "Offer"). The Company expects to commence the Offer by no later than March 10, 2006. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and its contents are incorporated herein by reference.

On March 7, 2006, the Company also issued a press release announcing that it intends to offer up to \$900 million aggregate principal amount of senior unsecured notes. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.2 hereto and its contents are incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release, dated March 7, 2006, announcing that AutoNation, Inc. intends to commence an offer to purchase for cash any and all of its outstanding 9% senior notes due 2008 in an aggregate principal amount of \$323.5 million.

99.2 Press Release, dated March 7, 2006, announcing that AutoNation, Inc. intends to offer up to \$900 million aggregate principal amount of senior unsecured notes.

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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.

AutoNation, Inc.

March 7, 2006

By: /s/ Jonathan P. Ferrando

*Name: Jonathan P. Ferrando
Title: Executive Vice President, General Counsel and
Secretary*

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