#### SHERMAN DONALD A

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SHERMAN DONALD A

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

**DELPHI FINANCIAL GROUP** INC/DE [DFG]

(Check all applicable)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

\_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year) 11/21/2008

below) President & COO

C/O DELPHI CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC., 590 MADISON AVENUE, 30TH **FLOOR** 

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

NEW YORK, NY 10022

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed any

(Month/Day/Year)

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

Following

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

or Code V Amount (D)

Price

(A)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Class A Common

Stock

11/21/2008

P 109,600

\$ 7.8791 A (1)

192,370

Reported

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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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

SHERMAN DONALD A C/O DELPHI CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, INC. 590 MADISON AVENUE, 30TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022

X

President & COO

## **Signatures**

Chad W. Coulter, Attorney-in-Fact for Donald A. Sherman

11/24/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

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).

The price indicated is the weighted average sales price for a series of open market sales transactions ranging in price from \$7.65 to \$8.05 (1) per share. The reporting person has provided to the issuer information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price, and such information will be provided to the SEC staff or any security holder of the issuer upon request.

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