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ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC Form 4 March 06, 2014 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading PARHAM JOSEPH G JR Issuer Symbol ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP (Check all applicable) INC [ABG] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE 03/04/2014 VP, Chief HR Officer GROUP, INC., 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting **DULUTH, GA 30097** Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Form: Direct Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial anv (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 2,133 03/04/2014 \$0 23,319 D M A (1)Stock Common 712⁽²⁾ D 03/04/2014 F 22.607 D Stock

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Numb orDerivati Securitic Acquire Dispose (Instr. 3, 5)	ve es d (A) or d of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Share Units	<u>(3)</u>	03/04/2014		А	6,399		(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock par value \$.01 per share	6,399
Performance Share Units	(3)	03/04/2014		М		2,133	(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Stock par value \$.01 per share	2,133

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
PARHAM JOSEPH G JR C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC. 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300 DULUTH, GA 30097			VP, Chief HR Officer					
Signatures								
/s/ George A. Villasana, Attorney 0 in Fact	3/06/2014							

**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).
- Represents shares of the Issuer's common stock issued to Mr. Parham upon the vesting of performance share units granted on February (1) 20, 2013. This transaction represents the vesting of one-third of the award.
- Represents the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock withheld for payment of taxes upon the vesting of performance share units, (2)and the conversion of such units into shares of the Issuer's common stock, granted to Mr. Parham on February 20, 2013.
- (3) Represents grant of performance share units that was contingent upon the issuers meeting certain performance objectives, which objectives were certified as having been met on March 4, 2014. Each performance share unit converts into one share of the Issuer's

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common stock upon vesting. One-third of the performance share units granted to Mr. Parham on February 20, 2013 vested upon certification of the objectives having been met, which occurred on March 4, 2014, an additional one-third vests on February 20, 2015 and the remaining one-third vests on February 20, 2016.

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