

GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC

Form 8-K

October 25, 2018

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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): October 25, 2018

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

Delaware                                      1-13461                      76-0506313  
(State or other jurisdiction of    (Commission    (I.R.S. Employer  
incorporation or organization)    File Number)    Identification No.)  
800 Gessner, Suite 500  
Houston, Texas 77024  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)  
(713) 647-5700  
(Registrant's telephone number including area code)

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)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 40.14d-2(b))

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if that registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On October 25, 2018, Group 1 Automotive, Inc., a Delaware corporation, issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three and nine months ended September 30, 2018. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

As provided in General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information in this Item 2.02 (including the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference in this Item 2.02) shall not be deemed to be “filed” for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the “Exchange Act”) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibit is included with this Current Report on Form 8-K:

| Exhibit No. | Description  |
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| <u>99.1</u> | Press release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of October 25, 2018. |

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

October 25, 2018 By: /s/ John C. Rickel

Date John C. Rickel, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer