GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC Form 8-K November 20, 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):

November 16, 2006

# Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

1-13461

(Commission

File Number)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

950 Echo Lane, Suite 100, Houston, Texas

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code:

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:

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[] Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

76-0506313

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

77024

(Zip Code)

713-647-5700

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#### <u>Top of the Form</u> Item 8.01 Other Events.

On November 16, 2006, Group 1 Automotive, Inc. announced that its board of directors declared a cash dividend of \$0.14 per share for the third quarter of 2006. The dividend will be paid on December 15, 2006, to stockholders of record on December 1, 2006. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of November 16, 2006.

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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.

Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

November 20, 2006

By: John C. Rickel

Name: John C. Rickel Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of November 16, 2006.