

ESL INVESTORS LLC
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
LAMPERT EDWARD S

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AUTONATION, INC. [AN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
200 GREENWICH AVENUE

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
06/30/2010

____ Director
____ Officer (give title below)
 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)

GREENWICH, CT 06830

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4) | | | |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|------------|---|--|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share ⁽¹⁾ ₍₂₎ | 06/30/2010 | | J ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾ | V | 14,658,509 ⁽¹⁾ ₍₂₎ | D | \$ 0 ⁽¹⁾ ₍₂₎ | 44,117,331 | I | See Footnotes ⁽¹⁾ ₍₂₎ ⁽³⁾ ₍₁₂₎ |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 06/30/2010 | | J ⁽⁴⁾ | V | 14,658,509 ⁽⁴⁾ | D | \$ 0 ⁽⁴⁾ | 0 | I | See Footnotes ⁽¹⁾ ₍₂₎ ⁽⁵⁾ ₍₁₂₎ |
| Common | | | | | | | | 12,882,401 | I | See |

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|---|---------------------------|--|---|
| Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | | | Footnotes <u>(6)</u> <u>(12)</u> |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 6,704 | I | See Footnotes <u>(7)</u> <u>(12)</u> |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 5,220,154 | I | See Footnotes <u>(8)</u> <u>(12)</u> |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 102,995 | I | See Footnotes <u>(9)</u> <u>(12)</u> |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 18,425,406 <u>(10)</u> | D <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u> <u>(11)</u> <u>(12)</u> | |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|--|--|
| | | | | | | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| | | | | | | Code | V | (A) | (D) |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| LAMPERT EDWARD S 200 GREENWICH AVENUE GREENWICH, CT 06830 | | X | | |
| ESL INVESTMENTS INC 200 GREENWICH AVENUE GREENWICH, CT 06830 | | X | | |
| RBS PARTNERS L P /CT 200 GREENWICH AVENUE GREENWICH, CT 06830 | | X | | |
| ESL PARTNERS, L.P. 200 GREENWICH AVENUE GREENWICH, CT 06830 | | X | | |
| ESL INVESTORS LLC 200 GREENWICH AVE GREENWICH, CT 06830 | | X | | |

Signatures

/s/ EDWARD S. LAMPERT (See signatures of Reporting Persons as Exhibit 99.1)

06/30/2010

__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).
- (1) As part of an internal restructuring by the Reporting Persons that occurred on June 2, 2010, ESL Partners, L.P. ("Partners") made a partial distribution of shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Shares"), of AutoNation, Inc. (the "Issuer") to its general partner, RBS Partners, L.P. ("RBS") based on RBS's pro rata share of the assets of Partners. Of that distribution, a portion of the Shares indirectly owned by Edward S. Lampert was initially retained by Partners pending expiration or termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended ("HSR Approval").
- (2) The Reporting Persons received notification of HSR Approval on June 16, 2010. On June 30, 2010, Partners distributed these 14,658,509 Shares to RBS, following which RBS immediately distributed the Shares to Mr. Lampert. Mr. Lampert is a party to an agreement with Partners that generally requires Mr. Lampert to sell these Shares received, and to make certain purchases of additional Shares of the Issuer, on a pro rata basis with Partners, at the same time and on substantially the same economic terms and conditions (subject to certain legal, tax, accounting or regulatory considerations). As a result of this internal restructuring, the combined direct and indirect ownership of Mr. Lampert in the Issuer and the pecuniary interest of Mr. Lampert in the Issuer did not change.
- (3) These Shares are held by Partners.
- (4) These Shares were distributed by RBS to Mr. Lampert as a result of the transactions described in footnotes 1 and 2 above.
- (5) These Shares are held by RBS.
- (6) These Shares are held in an account established by the investment member of ESL Investors, L.L.C. ("Investors").
- (7) These Shares are held by ESL Institutional Partners, L.P. ("Institutional").
- (8) These Shares are held by CBL.

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- (9) These Shares are held in grantor retained annuity trusts, of which Mr. Lampert is the trustee.
- (10) These Shares include 14,658,509 Shares distributed by RBS as a result of the transactions described in footnotes 1 and 2 above. As a result of these distributions, Mr. Lampert directly holds Shares in which he previously held an indirect interest.
- (11) These Shares are held by Mr. Lampert.
- (12) This Form 4 is filed on behalf of Mr. Lampert, ESL Investments, Inc. ("Investments"), RBS, Partners and Investors. RBS is the general partner of Partners and the managing member of Investors. RBS Investment Management, L.L.C. ("RBSIM") is the general partner of Institutional. Investments is the general partner of RBS and CBL and the manager of RBSIM. Mr. Lampert is the Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Investments.

Remarks:

Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), each of the Reporting

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