Rickel John C Form 4 November 17, 2011

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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SECURITIES Form 5 obligations

may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Rickel John C

(First)

(State)

Symbol

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC

[GPI] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 11/15/2011

800 GESSNER, SUITE 500 (Street)

(Zip)

(Middle)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

OMB

Number:

Expires:

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Estimated average

burden hours per

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

below) SVP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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

HOUSTON, TX 77024

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) (Month/Day/Year)

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

Owned Reported (A)

Price

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Following

7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Form: Direct Beneficial Ownership (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

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3235-0287

January 31,

2005

0.5

(Instr. 4)

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common Stock

11/15/2011

V Amount (D) F 912

D 46.75

185,092.515 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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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	nt of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
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					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rickel John C 800 GESSNER SUITE 500 HOUSTON, TX 77024

SVP & CFO

Signatures

/s/ Beth Sibley, attorney-in-fact for John C. Rickel

11/17/2011

**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).

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