

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC
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FORM 4

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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 *
GIBSON THOMAS R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [NYSE: ABG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
810 MT. MORO ROAD
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
07/25/2006

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

VILLANOVA, PA 19085

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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	07/25/2006		M		23,600	A	\$ 16.5
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	07/25/2006		S		23,600	D	\$ 21.1
Common stock, par					33,840	I	
							By the Gibson

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(2) The option vested in three equal installments beginning on December 3, 2002.

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