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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [ABG]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
GROUP, IN	(First) RY AUTOMOT IC., 2905 PREM 7 NW, SUITE 30	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/05/2016					Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO			
חוו וודט ו	(Street)	endment, Date Original onth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting				
Person										
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, i any (Month/Day/Yea		3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			of (D)	Beneficially (D) or Ber Owned Indirect (I) Ow		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	02/05/2016			A	23,555 (1)	A	\$ 0	145,567	D	
Common Stock	02/05/2016			M	14,722 (2)	A	\$0	160,289	D	
Common Stock	02/05/2016			F	1,570 (3)	D	\$ 46.7	158,719	D	
Common Stock	02/05/2016			F	2,266 (4)	D	\$ 46.7	156,453	D	
	02/05/2016			F		D		150,844	D	

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Common 5,609 \$
Stock (5) 46.7

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Share Units	<u>(6)</u>	02/05/2016		M	14,722	<u>(6)</u>	<u>(6)</u>	Common Stock	14,722

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MONAGHAN CRAIG T C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC. 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300 DULUTH, GA 30097

President & CEO

Signatures

/s/George A. Villasana, Attorney
In-Fact
02/09/2016

**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) Represents grant of restricted stock award. Vesting will occur in three equal annual installments beginning on the first anniversary of the grant date.
- (2) Represents shares of the Issuer's common stock issued upon the vesting of performance share units granted on February 5, 2014. This transaction represents the vesting of one-third of this award.

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- (3) Represents the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock withheld for payment of taxes upon the vesting of a restricted stock award granted on February 5, 2015.
- (4) Represents the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock withheld for payment of taxes upon the vesting of a restricted stock award granted on February 5, 2014.
- (5) Represents the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock withheld for payment of taxes upon the vesting of performance share units, granted on February 5, 2014.
- Represents vesting of performance share units upon the Issuer having met certain performance objectives, which objectives were certified as having been met on March 4, 2015. Each performance share unit converts into one share of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting. One-third of the performance share units granted on February 5, 2014 vested upon certification of the objectives having been met, which occurred on March 4, 2015, an additional one-third vested on February 5, 2016 and the remaining one-third vests on February 5, 2017.

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