SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC

Form 5

February 06, 2003

SEC Form 5

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[] Form 4 Transact Reported	ions	Holding Compa	any Act o		on 30(f 940) of the Investme	ent Compa	ny Act of				
Name and Address of Reporting Person Brooks, William R.				er or Trading S		Month/Year to		6. Relation to Issuer	ationship of Reporting Person(s) uer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Midd c/o Sonic Automotive, Inc. 5401 East Independence Boulevard (Street) Charlotte, NC 28212			3. I.R.S. Identification Number of Reporting Person, if an entity			5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)		X Director _ 10% Owner _ Officer (give title below) _ Other (specify below) Description				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(volun	tary)				Filing (filed by More	cable Line) Reporting Person		
	Ta	able I - Non-Der	ivative S	Securities Acqu	uired, l	Disposed of, or	Beneficia					
(Instr. 3)	.Transactio Date Month/Day/	Execution	Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	(A) or (D) (Ins	curities Acquired Disposed Of Str. 3, 4, and 5) Amount / / D / Price	5. Amoun Securit Benefic Owned of Issuer's Year (Instr. 3	ies cially at end s Fiscal	o. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect ()	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
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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)	sion or Exercise Price of Deri- vative	Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	Deemed	Transaction Code (Instr.8)	of Derivative Securities	and Expiration Date(ED) (Month/Day/Year)	Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr.5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year Reported Transaction(s)	Securities

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			Year)		(D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			,	or Indirect (I) (Instr.4)
					A or D	DE / ED	Title / Amount or Number of Shares		
Options to Purchase	\$29.98	03/29/2002		А	10,000 A	09/29/2002 / 03/29/2012	Class A Common Stock / 10,000	10,000	D

Explanation of Responses:

 By:
 Date:

 /s/ William R. Brooks
 01/29/2003

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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^{**} Signature of Reporting Person SEC 2270 (09-02)

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