

HOWARD ROBERT E II  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
HOWARD ROBERT E II

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC  
[GPI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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

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

950 ECHO LANE, SUITE 100

03/20/2007

(Street)

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

HOUSTON, TX 77024

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S		300	D	\$ 40.1	124,700	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S		300	D	\$ 40.09	124,400	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S		2,000	D	\$ 40.08	122,400	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation

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Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	400	D	\$ 40.07	122,000	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	200	D	\$ 40.06	121,800	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	700	D	\$ 40.05	121,100	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	1,900	D	\$ 40.04	119,200	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	1,700	D	\$ 40.03	117,500	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	800	D	\$ 40.02	116,700	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	14,000	D	\$ 40.01	102,700	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation
Common Stock	03/20/2007		S	102,700	D	\$ 40	0	I	By Howard Family Charitable Foundation
Common Stock							7,089	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)

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying	8. Price of Derivative Security	9. Number of Derivative Securities
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