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(Print or Type Responses)

HOWARD ROBERT E II	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC [GPI]	S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 950 ECHO LANE, SUITE 100	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/07/2007	X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
HOUSTON, TX 77024		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	(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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)		
Common Stock	03/07/2007		S	100	D	\$ 44.63	406,998	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)		
Common Stock	03/07/2007		S	400	D	\$ 44.62	406,598	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)		
Common Stock	03/07/2007		S	200	D	\$ 44.61	406,398	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)		
Common Stock	03/07/2007		S	200	D	\$ 44.59	406,198	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas,		

								LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	400	D	\$ 44.58	405,798	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	20,000	D	\$ 44.55	385,798	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	600	D	\$ 44.54	385,198	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	1,300	D	\$ 45.03	383,898	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	400	D	\$ 45.06	383,498	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	200	D	\$ 45.13	383,298	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	100	D	\$ 45.11	383,198	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	100	D	\$ 45.1	383,098	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	6,200	D	\$ 45.05	376,898	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	800	D	\$ 45.04	376,098	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	800	D	\$ 45.01	375,298	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	1,600	D	\$ 45	373,698	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	300	D	\$ 44.73	373,398	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	900	D	\$ 44.53	372,498	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)

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Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	600	D	\$ 44.52	371,898	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	700	D	\$ 44.51	371,198	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	25,600	D	\$ 44.5	345,598	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock	03/07/2007	S	1,100	D	\$ 45.02	344,498	I	By Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP (1)
Common Stock						20,000	I	By Texas Automotive Holdings, LP (2)
Common Stock						207,089	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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	ç
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Othe		

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HOWARD ROBERT E II 950 ECHO LANE SUITE 100 HOUSTON, TX 77024

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Signatures

/s/ Howard, II, Robert E.

03/08/2007

**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) Mr. Howard is the sole limited partner of Automotive Holdings-Texas, LP and the sole member of Automotive Holdings-Texas-GP, LLC, its sole general partner.
- (2) Howard Investments, LLC is the sole limited partner of Texas Automotive Holdings, LP and the sole member of Texas Automotive Holdings-GP, LLC, its sole general partner.

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