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## FORM 4

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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Issuer

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

**SECURITIES** 

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP

Symbol

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

			I	INC [NYSE:ABG]					(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (810 MT. MORO ROAD			(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/12/2006						Director Officer (give below)		10% Owner Other (specify	
(Street) VILLANOVA, PA 19085				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 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
	(City)	(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially O								ially Owned		
	1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)  Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)  10/12/2006		oate, if T. C.	Transaction Code Instr. 8)	4. Securiti (A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	posed	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, par value \$0.01 per share	10/12/2006			S	10,000	D	\$ 22.28	0	D		
	Common stock, par	10/12/2006			M	10,000	A	\$ 16.5	10,000	D		

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value \$0.01 per share								
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10/12/2006	S	10,000	D	\$ 22.5	0	D	
Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share						33,840	I	By the Gibson Family Partnership, L.P. (1)

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 orDerivative 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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.5	10/12/2006		M	10,000	(2)	12/03/2011	Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10,000
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 16.5	10/12/2006		M	10,000	(2)	12/03/2011	Common stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10,000

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GIBSON THOMAS R 810 MT. MORO ROAD VILLANOVA, PA 19085

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### **Signatures**

Lynne A. Burgess, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*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) These shares are held by the Gibson Family Partnership, L.P. Mr. Gibson is the General Partner of the Gibson Family Partnership, L.P. and thus has beneficial ownership of such shares.
- (2) The option vested in three equal installments beginning on December 3, 2002.

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