

CHINA AUTOMOTIVE SYSTEMS INC

Form 4

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See Instruction  
1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF  
SECURITIES**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  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CHEN HANLIN

(Last) (First) (Middle)

HENGLONG BLD, NO. 1  
GUANSHAN FIRST ROAD,, EAST  
LAKE HI-TECH ZONE

(Street)

WUHAN, HUBEI,, F4 430073

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading  
SymbolCHINA AUTOMOTIVE SYSTEMS  
INC [CAAS]3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
12/24/20084. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(Month/Day/Year)5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to  
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner  
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify  
below) Chairman6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check  
Applicable Line)  
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting  
Person**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock								2,011,425	I	By Spouse
Common Stock								302,354	I	See footnote <sup>(1)</sup>
Common Stock	12/24/2008		P		100	A	\$ 3	13,320,747	D	
Common Stock	12/24/2008		P		900	A	\$ 3.02	13,321,647	D	
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Common Stock					\$ 3.12		
Common Stock	12/24/2008	P	50	A	\$ 3.16	13,321,797	D
Common Stock	12/24/2008	P	4,050	A	\$ 3.17	13,325,847	D
Common Stock	12/26/2008	P	965	A	\$ 3.14	13,326,812	D
Common Stock	12/26/2008	P	2,800	A	\$ 3.15	13,329,612	D
Common Stock	12/26/2008	P	1,435	A	\$ 3.18	13,331,047	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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 5)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CHEN HANLIN HENGLONG BLD, NO. 1 GUANSHAN FIRST ROAD, EAST LAKE HI-TECH ZONE WUHAN, HUBEI,, F4 430073	X	X	Chairman	

## Signatures

/s/ Hanlin Chen

12/29/2008

\_\_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 common stocks held indirectly by Mr. Hanlin Chen through Wiselink Holdings Limited ("Wiselink"), a company controlled by him.

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