

WATSON MAX P

Form 4

July 29, 2011

FORM 4
UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
WATSON MAX P

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)
800 GESSNER, SUITE 500
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
07/27/2011

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

HOUSTON, TX 77024

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

(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	07/27/2011		M		3,000	A	\$ 28.97
Common Stock	07/27/2011		F		1,782	D	\$ 48.78
Common Stock	07/27/2011		M		3,000	A	\$ 19.47
Common Stock	07/27/2011		F		1,198	D	\$ 48.77

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. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Option	\$ 28.97	07/27/2011		M	3,000	11/14/2002	11/14/2011	Common Stock	3,000
Stock Option	\$ 19.47	07/27/2011		M	3,000	11/13/2003	11/13/2012	Common Stock	3,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
WATSON MAX P 800 GESSNER SUITE 500 HOUSTON, TX 77024	X

Signatures

By Beth Sibley, attorney-in-fact, for Max P. Watson /s/Beth
Sibley

07/29/2011

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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