

AUTONATION, INC.  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

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

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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 \*  
FERRANDO JONATHAN P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AUTONATION, INC. [AN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
200 SW 1ST AVE, SUITE 1600

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/01/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP, Gen Counsel & Secretary

(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

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
|  |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price   |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 10/01/2012                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 19,916  | A  | \$ 19.21  |
|  |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 56,916  |
|  |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>                                      |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 10/01/2012                           |  | S <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 17,916  | D  | \$ 43.79  |
|  |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 39,000  |
|  |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>                                      |
| Common Stock, par                        | 10/03/2012                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               |   | 15,000  | A  | \$ 19.21  |
|  |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | 54,000  |
|  |                                      |  |                                |   |   |  | D <sup>(2)</sup>                                      |

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value  
\$0.01 per  
share

Common  
Stock, par  
value  
\$0.01 per  
share

10/03/2012

S<sup>(1)</sup>

14,000 D

\$  
44.79 40,000

D<sup>(2)</sup>

Common  
Stock, par  
value  
\$0.01 per  
share

1,767

I

By 401(k)  
Plan

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) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable Expiration Date                         | Title Amount or Number of Shares                              |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 19.21   | 10/01/2012                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 19,916  | <sup>(3)</sup> 07/30/2017                                | Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share 19,916               |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy)       | \$ 19.21   | 10/03/2012                           |  | M <sup>(1)</sup>               | 15,000  | <sup>(3)</sup> 07/30/2017                                | Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share 15,000               |

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Reporting Owners

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Director                      10% Owner                      Officer                      Other

FERRANDO JONATHAN P  
200 SW 1ST AVE  
SUITE 1600  
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

EVP, Gen  
Counsel &  
Secretary

## Signatures

/s/ Jonathan P.                      10/03/2012  
Ferrando

\_\_Signature of Reporting                      Date  
Person

## 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) Transaction completed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 9, 2012.
- (2) Includes 33,000 shares owned by the reporting person and his wife as tenants by the entirety.
- (3) The option became exercisable in 25% annual increments on each of the first four anniversaries of July 30, 2007.

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