

AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC.

Form SC 13G

February 16, 2016

SECURITIES

AND

EXCHANGE

COMMISSION

Washington,

D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE

13G

Under the

Securities

Exchange Act of

1934

(Amendment

No.)*

Avis Budget

Group, Inc.

(Name of

Issuer)

Common Stock,

par value \$0.01

per share

(Title of Class

of Securities)

053774105

(CUSIP

Number)

December 31,

2015

(Date of Event

Which Requires

Filing of This

Statement)

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.. Rule 13d-1(c)

.. Rule 13d-1(d)

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*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

1

NAME OF
REPORTING
PERSON

Fir Tree Inc.
CHECK
THE
APPROPRIATE

2

BOX IF A
MEMBER (b) "
OF A
GROUP

3

SEC USE ONLY
CITIZENSHIP OR
PLACE OF
ORGANIZATION

4

New York
SOLE
VOTING
POWER

5

8,581,509
shares of
Common Stock
(as defined
below)
(including
2,400,000
shares of
Common Stock
issuable upon
exercise of call
options)

NUMBER OF
SHARES
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY
EACH
REPORTING
PERSON WITH:

6 SHARED VOTING POWER

6

7 0
 SOLE
 DISPOSITIVE
 POWER

7

8,581,509
shares of

Common Stock
(including
2,400,000
shares of
Common Stock
issuable upon
exercise of call
options)
SHARED
DISPOSITIVE
8 POWER

0
AGGREGATE
AMOUNT
BENEFICIALLY
OWNED BY EACH
REPORTING
PERSON

9
8,581,509 shares of
Common Stock
(including 2,400,000
shares of Common
Stock issuable upon
exercise of call
options)

10
CHECK BOX
IF THE
AGGREGATE
AMOUNT IN ..
ROW (9)
EXCLUDES
CERTAIN
SHARES
PERCENT OF
CLASS

11
REPRESENTED BY
AMOUNT IN ROW
(9)

12
8.6%
TYPE OF
REPORTING
PERSON

IA, CO

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Item 1(a). NAME OF ISSUER

Avis Budget Group, Inc. (the "Issuer")

Item 1(b). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES

6 Sylvan Way
Parsippany, NJ 07054

Item 2(a). NAME OF PERSON FILING

This Schedule 13G is being filed on behalf of Fir Tree Inc., a New York corporation ("Fir Tree"), relating to Common Stock, \$0.01 par value (the "Common Stock"), issued by Issuer, purchased by certain private-pooled investment vehicles for which Fir Tree serves as the investment manager (the "Funds").

Fir Tree is the investment manager of the Funds, and has been granted investment discretion over portfolio investments, including the Common Stock held by the Funds.

Item 2(b). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE

The address of the principal business office of Fir Tree is:
Fir Tree Inc.

505 Fifth Avenue

23rd Floor

New York, New York 10017

Item 2(c). CITIZENSHIP

Fir Tree is a New York corporation.

Item 2(d). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES

Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share

Item 2(e). CUSIP NUMBER

053774105

Item 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO Rules 13d-1(b), OR 13d-2(b) OR (c), CHECK WHETHER THE PERSON FILING IS A:

(a) " Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act;

- (b) " Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act;
- (c) " Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Act;
- (d) " Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940;
- (e) x An investment adviser in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f) " An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g) " A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);

- (h) "A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act;
- (i) "A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act;
- (j) "A non-U.S. institution in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J);
- (k) "Group, in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(K).

If filing as a non-U.S. institution in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J), please specify the type of institution: _____

Item 4. OWNERSHIP

The percentage set forth in this Schedule 13G is calculated based on 100,306,123 shares of Common Stock issued and outstanding as of October 30, 2015, as reported in the Issuer's Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q filed as of November 3, 2015.

The information required by Items 4(a) - (c) is set forth in Rows 5-11 of the cover page hereto for the Reporting Person and is incorporated herein by reference for the Reporting Person.

Item 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS

Not applicable.

Item 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON

See Item 2. Fir Tree Value Master Fund L.P., a Fund that is a Cayman Islands exempted company, has the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, and the proceeds from the sale of, more than 5 percent of the Common Stock.

Item 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY OR CONTROL PERSON

Not applicable.

Item 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Not applicable.

Item 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP

Not applicable.

Item 10. CERTIFICATION

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of his or its knowledge and belief, each of the undersigned certifies that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

DATE: February 16, 2016

FIR TREE INC.

/s/ James Walker

Name: James Walker

Title: Managing Director