AUTONATION, INC.

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading JACKSON MICHAEL J Issuer Symbol AUTONATION, INC. [AN] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) _X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 200 SW 1ST AVE, SUITE 1600 12/01/2010 below) Chairman and CEO (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivative	Secui	rities Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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. Securit onor Dispos (Instr. 3, 4	ed of		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	12/02/2010		M(1)	58,000	A	\$ 17	58,000	I	By trust
Common Stock	12/02/2010		S <u>(1)</u>	58,000	D	\$ 27.0054 (2)	0	I	By trust
Common Stock							15,000	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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)			
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sl
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 26.49	12/01/2010		A	63,756		(3)	03/01/2020	Common Stock	63,
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 17	12/02/2010		M <u>(1)</u>		58,000	<u>(4)</u>	07/28/2013	Common Stock	58,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
JACKSON MICHAEL J							
200 SW 1ST AVE	X		Chairman				
SUITE 1600	Λ		and CEO				
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301							

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan P. Ferrando, 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) Transaction completed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 23, 2010.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$27.00 to \$27.03. The price reported above reflects the weighted average sale price. The reporting person hereby undertakes to provide upon request to the SEC staff, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer full information regarding the number of shares and prices at which the transactions were effected.

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- (3) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on June 1, 2011, subject to continuous employment with the Company.
- The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 321,000 shares (as of the grant date) at an exercise price equal to \$17.00 per share, vested as to 25% of the underlying shares on each of July 28, 2004, July 28, 2005, July 28, 2006 and July 28, 2007.

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