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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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

O Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16.
Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue.
See Instruction 1(b).

	AutoZone, Inc. (AZO)			
4.	Statement for Month/Day/Year	5.	If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)	
	December 31, 2002			
6.	Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check All Applicable)		Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)	
	O Director X 10% Owner		o	Form Filed by One Reporting Person
	O Officer (give title below)		X	Form Filed by More
	Other (specify below)			than One Reporting Person
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Reminder:	Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.
*	If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, <i>see</i> instruction 4(b)(v).

Title of 2. Security (Instr. 3)	Transaction 2 Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction a Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Ac Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and	D)	d (A) or	5.Amount of Sec- urities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Trans- action(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			
Previous Balance							12,338,984		
	12/31/02		J(1)	1,666,855	D	N/A	10,672,129	D(2)	(9)
Previous Balance							2,985,290		
	12/31/02		J(1)	501,269	D	N/A	2,484,021	D(3)	(9)
Previous Balance							443,272		
	12/31/02		J(1)	47,457	D	N/A	395,815	D(4)	(9)
Previous Balance							1,521,365	D(5)	(9)
Previous Balance							7,526,599	D(6)	(9)
Previous Balance							224,840	D(7)	(9)
Previous Balance							488,350	D(8)	(9)
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Table II Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)						
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5. Date Exercisable and 7. Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	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(s) (Instr. 4)	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Invature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
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(9) This Form 4 is filed on behalf of a group consisting of ESL, Limited, Institutional, Investors, Acres, Marion, and Blue Macaw (collectively, the "ESL Parties"), RBS Partners, L.P. ("RBS Partners"), ESL Investment Management, LLC ("ESLIM"), RBS Investment Management, LLC ("RBSIM"), ESL Investments, Inc. ("Investments") and Edward S. Lampert. Pursuant to Section 16, RBS Partners, ESLIM, RBSIM, Investments and Mr. Lampert may be deemed indirect beneficial owners of the securities reported on this Form 4. The general partner of ESL is RBS Partners. The general partner of RBS Partners is Investments. ESLIM is the investment manager of Limited. RBSIM is the general partner of Institutional. RBS Partners is the manager of Investors. Investments is the general partner of Acres, Marion, Blue Macaw and 200GA. Mr. Lampert is a controlling stockholder of Investments and is the managing member of RBSIM and ESLIM. Investments and Mr. Lampert each have less than a 35% interest in each of the ESL Parties. The securities reported as being owned by each of the ESL Parties reflect the total amount of securities beneficially owned by each such entity, which is greater than Mr. Lampert's or Investments' indirect pecuniary interest in such securities. RBSIM has less than a 35% interest in Institutional. The securities reported as being owned by Institutional reflect the total amount of securities beneficially owned by Institutional, which is greater than RBSIM's indirect pecuniary interest in such securities. ESLIM has less than a 35% interest in Limited. The securities reported as being owned by Limited reflect the total amount of securities beneficially owned by Limited, which is greater than ESLIM's indirect pecuniary interest in such securities. RBS Partners has less than a 35% interest in ESL. The securities reported as being owned by ESL reflect the total amount of securities beneficially owned by ESL, which is greater than RBS Partners' indirect pecuniary interest in such securities. The securities reported as being owned by Investors reflect the total amount of securities beneficially owned by Investors, which is greater than RBS Partners' indirect pecuniary interest in such securities.

/s/ WILLIAM C. CROWLEY	January 2, 2003
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure.

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By: RBS Partners, L.P., its general partner
By: ESL Investments, Inc., its general partner

By: /s/ WILLIAM C. CROWLEY

William C. Crowley

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Joint Filer Information

Name: ESL Limited

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Signature: /s/ EDWARD S. LAMPERT

Edward S. Lampert

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