#### HESTERBERG EARL J

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### FORM 4

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1(b).

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See Instruction

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HESTERBERG EARL J | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading<br>Symbol<br>GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC<br>[GPI] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to<br>Issuer (Check all applicable)                        |  |  |
|---|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 800 GESSNER, SUITE 500              | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/06/2013                       | _X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President & CEO              |  |  |
| (Street)  | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                              | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person |  |  |
| HOUSTON, TX 77024   |   | Form filed by More than One Reporting Person  |  |  |

| (City)                               | (State)                                 | (Zip) Tak   | ole I - Non-                            | Derivative  | Secu   | rities Acqu         | ired, Disposed of, o   | or Beneficially | Owned                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|-------------|--|---------------------|--|-----------------|--|---|
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | omr Dispose | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) |                     | sposed of (D) 3, 4 and 5)  Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)  Owned Following Or Transaction(s) |                 | Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) | Beneficial (D) Ownership eet (Instr. 4) |
|                                      |   |   | Code V                                  | Amount      | (D)  | Price               | (Instr. 3 and 4)   | (Instr. 4)      |  |   |
| Common<br>Stock                      | 05/06/2013                              |   | D                                       | 40,000      | D  | \$<br>62.736<br>(1) | 458,092.7744   | 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)

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| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transactic<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5.  onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) |                     | ate                | 7. Title a<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 a | of<br>ng<br>s | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Bene<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|--|---------------|---|--|
|   |   |                                      |   | Code V                                 | (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)  (A) (D)   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | or<br>Title Nu<br>of   | umber         |   |  |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                     | Relationships |           |                 |       |  |  |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| 1 8  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer         | Other |  |  |  |  |
| HESTERBERG EARL J<br>800 GESSNER<br>SUITE 500<br>HOUSTON, TX 77024 | X             |           | President & CEO |       |  |  |  |  |

# **Signatures**

/s/ Beth Sibley, attorney-in-fact for Earl J.
Hesterberg 05/07/2013

\*\*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).

The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$62.33 to \$63.25, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Group 1 Automotive, Inc., any security holder of Group 1

Automotive, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote 1 to this Form 4.

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