AUTONATION, INC.

Form 4

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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 * JACKSON MICHAEL J			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)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(===== an approact)		
200 SW 1ST AVE, SUITE 1600		1600	(Month/Day/Year) 07/29/2010	X Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman and CEO		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-I	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, 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)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed 4 and 5 (A) or	of (D)	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	07/29/2010		Code V M	Amount 16,603	(D)	Price \$ 9.92	16,603	I	By trust
Common Stock	07/29/2010		S	16,603	D	\$ 23.62 (1)	0	I	By trust
Common Stock	07/30/2010		M	67,767	A	\$ 10.17	67,767	I	By trust
Common Stock	07/30/2010		S	67,767	D	\$ 23.85 (2)	0	I	By trust

15,000

D

Common Stock

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 Derivative Expiration Date Exercise (Month/Day/Young) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	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)	\$ 9.92	07/29/2010		M	16,603	(3)	03/02/2019	Common Stock	16,603
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 10.17	07/30/2010		M	67,767	<u>(4)</u>	07/30/2018	Common Stock	67,767

Reporting Owners

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

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan P. Ferrando,
Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$23.58 to \$23.64. The price reported above reflects the weighted (1) 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.
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$23.75 to \$24.02. The price reported above reflects the weighted (2) 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.
- The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 66,412 shares (as of the grant date) at an exercise price equal to \$9.92 per share, vested as to 25% of the underlying shares on June 1, 2010, and will vest as to an additional 25% on each of June 1, 2011, June 1, 2012 and June 1, 2013, subject to continuous employment with the Company. The option was exercised with respect to the 16,603 shares that vested on June 1, 2010.
- The option, representing a right to purchase a total of 271,067 shares (as of the grant date) at an exercise price equal to \$10.17 per share, vested as to 25% of the underlying shares on each of July 30, 2009 and July 30, 2010, and will vest as to an additional 25% on each of July 30, 2011 and July 30, 2012, subject to continuous employment with the Company. The option was exercised with respect to the 67,767 shares that vested on July 30, 2010.

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