#### **AUTONATION INC /FL**

Form 4

January 09, 2009

# FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **BILL & MELINDA GATES** 

1551 EASTLAKE AVENUE E.

(State)

FOUNDATION TRUST

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

(Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AUTONATION INC /FL [AN]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

01/07/2009

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner \_X\_ Other (specify Officer (give title below)

below) (See footnote 2)

(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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

SEATTLE, WA 98102

(City)

| (City)              | (State)                              | (Zip) Tab               | le I - Non-l    | Derivative   | Secur     | ities Acqui         | red, Disposed of,                        | or Beneficial                      | ly Owned                              |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|--------------|-----------|---------------------|--|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1.Title of Security | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if      |                 | omr Dispos   | ed of (   | ` '                 | 5. Amount of Securities                  | 6. Ownership                       | 7. Nature of Indirect                 |
| (Instr. 3)          |                                      | any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | (Instr. 3, 4 | + and S   | ))                  | Beneficially Owned Following             | Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect | Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
|                     |                                      |                         |                 |              | (A)<br>or |                     | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | (I)<br>(Instr. 4)                  |                                       |
|                     |                                      |                         | Code V          | Amount       | (D)       | Price               | (msure and r)                            |                                    |                                       |
| Common<br>Stock     | 01/07/2009                           |                         | P               | 50,000       | A         | \$<br>9.9672<br>(1) | 10,292,100<br>(2)                        | 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 | 2.          | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed         | 4.          | 5.         | 6. Date Exerc       | cisable and     | 7. Title                 | e and    | 8. Price of | 9. Nu  |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|------------|---------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|----------|-------------|--------|
| Derivative  | Conversion  | (Month/Day/Year)    | Execution Date, if | Transaction | orNumber   | Expiration D        | ate             | Amour                    | nt of    | Derivative  | Deriv  |
| Security    | or Exercise |                     | any                | Code        | of         | (Month/Day/         | Year)           | Underl                   | ying     | Security    | Secui  |
| (Instr. 3)  | Price of    |                     | (Month/Day/Year)   | (Instr. 8)  | Derivative | e                   |                 | Securit                  | ties     | (Instr. 5)  | Bene   |
|             | Derivative  |                     |                    |             | Securities |                     |                 | (Instr.                  | 3 and 4) |             | Own    |
|             | Security    |                     |                    |             | Acquired   |                     |                 |                          |          |             | Follo  |
|             | •           |                     |                    |             | (A) or     |                     |                 |                          |          |             | Repo   |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | Disposed   |                     |                 |                          |          |             | Trans  |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | of (D)     |                     |                 |                          |          |             | (Instr |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | (Instr. 3, |                     |                 |                          |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |             | 4, and 5)  |                     |                 |                          |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            |                     |                 |                          | Amount   |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            |                     |                 |                          |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration Date | or<br>Title Number<br>of |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    |             |            |                     |                 |                          |          |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    | Code V      | (A) (D)    |                     |                 |                          | Shares   |             |        |
|             |             |                     |                    | Code v      | (A) (D)    |                     |                 |                          | Shares   |             |        |

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BILL & MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION TRUST 1551 EASTLAKE AVENUE E. SEATTLE, WA 98102

(See footnote 2)

# **Signatures**

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Trust By: /s/ Michael Larson\*, Attorney-in-Fact for each of the Co-Trustees, William H. Gates III and Melinda French Gates

01/09/2009

\*\*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).
- This transaction was executed in multiple trades at prices ranging from \$9.90 to \$10.00. The price reported above reflects the weighted average purchase 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 reporting person may be deemed to be a member of a Section 13(d) group that beneficially owns more than 10% of the issuer's outstanding Common Stock. This report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person and any other person or persons in
- fact constitute a "group" for purposes of Section 13(d)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the reporting person disclaims that it is the beneficial owner of securities owned by such other person or persons, except to the extent of the reporting person's pecuniary interest, if any, therein.

#### **Remarks:**

\*Duly authorized under Special Power of Attorney appointing Michael Larson attorney-in-fact, dated November 13, 2006, by Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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