AUTONATION INC /FL

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MONAGHAN CRAIG T | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AUTONATION INC /FL [AN] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | |
|--|--|----------|--|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) | | (Middle) | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| | | | (Month/Day/Year) | Director 10% Owner | | |
| 110 SE 6TH STREET, 29TH FLOOR | | TH | 07/31/2006 | _X_ Officer (give title Other (spec | | |
| | | | | EVP & CFO | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| | | | Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) | | |
| FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301 | | | | _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |

| (City) | (State) (| Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative Se | ecuriti | es Acquii | red, 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) mr Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price | | 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 | 07/31/2006 | | M | 27,348 | A | \$ 17 | 77,348 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 07/31/2006 | | S | 1,948 | D | \$ 19.91 | 75,400 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 07/31/2006 | | S | 2,400 | D | \$ 19.9 | 73,000 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 07/31/2006 | | S | 6,500 | D | \$ 19.89 | 66,500 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 07/31/2006 | | S | 2,200 | D | \$ 19.88 | 64,300 | Ι | By trust |

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| Commom Stock | 07/31/2006 | S | 100 | D | \$ 19.87 | 64,200 | I | By trust |
|-----------------|------------|---|---------|---|-------------|------------|---|----------|
| Common Stock | 07/31/2006 | S | 500 | D | \$ 19.86 | 63,700 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 07/31/2006 | S | 1,400 | D | \$ 19.84 | 62,300 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 07/31/2006 | S | 800 | D | \$ 19.83 | 61,500 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 07/31/2006 | S | 3,400 | D | \$ 19.82 | 58,100 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 07/31/2006 | S | 1,800 | D | \$ 19.81 | 56,300 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 07/31/2006 | S | 6,300 | D | \$ 19.8 | 50,000 (1) | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | M | 117,402 | A | \$ 17 | 167,402 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | M | 52,598 | A | \$ 16.77 | 220,000 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 200 | D | \$ 19.61 | 219,800 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 700 | D | \$ 19.59 | 219,100 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 1,700 | D | \$ 19.58 | 217,400 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 2,900 | D | \$ 19.57 | 214,500 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 2,000 | D | \$ 19.56 | 212,500 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 9,700 | D | \$ 19.55 | 202,800 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 13,400 | D | \$ 19.54 | 189,400 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 21,100 | D | \$ 19.53 | 168,300 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 31,200 | D | \$ 19.52 | 137,100 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 11,600 | D | \$ 19.51 | 125,500 | I | By trust |
| Common Stock | 08/01/2006 | S | 75,500 | D | \$ 19.5 | 50,000 (1) | I | By trust |

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | | rivative Expiration Date curities (Month/Day/Ye quired (A) or sposed of (D) | | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---------|---|--------------------|---|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 17 | 07/31/2006 | | M | | 27,348 | <u>(2)</u> | 07/28/2013 | Common Stock | 27,348 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 17 | 08/01/2006 | | M | | 117,402 | (2) | 07/28/2013 | Common Stock | 117,40 |
| Employee Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 16.77 | 08/01/2006 | | M | | 52,598 | <u>(4)</u> | 07/27/2014 | Common Stock | 52,598 |

Reporting Owners

**Signature of Reporting Person

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-----------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Troporting of their remiter remains | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| MONAGHAN CRAIG T 110 SE 6TH STREET 29TH FLOOR FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301 | | | EVP & CFO | | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | | |

Signatures

Jonathan P. Ferrando, 08/02/2006 Attorney-in-Fact

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Date

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- * 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) Excludes 871 shares of AutoNation common stock held through the AutoNation, Inc. 401(k) Plan.
- (2) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on July 28, 2004.
- (3) N/A
- (4) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on July 27, 2005.

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