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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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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Villasana George A

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC., 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300

(Street)

DULUTH, GA 30097

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [ABG]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/04/2019

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
(Check all applicable)
_____ Director _____ 10% Owner
__X__ Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
SVP, GC & Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person
___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	03/04/2019		M		2,107 (1)	A	$ 0	17,066	D	
Common Stock	03/04/2019		F		951 (2)	D	$ 68.76	16,115	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)

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		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
Performance Share Units	(3)	03/04/2019		A		6,323		(3)	(3)	Common Stock	6,323
Performance Share Units	(3)	03/04/2019		M			2,107	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	2,107

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Villasana George A C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC. 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300 DULUTH, GA 30097			SVP, GC & Secretary	

Signatures

/s/George A. Villasana	03/06/2019
**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).

(1) Represents shares of the Issuer's common stock issued upon the vesting of performance share units granted on February 7, 2018. This transaction represents the vesting of one-third of this award.

(2) Represents the number of shares of the Issuer's common stock withheld for payment of taxes upon the vesting of performance share units, and the conversion of such units into shares of the Issuer's common stock, granted on February 7, 2018.

(3) Represents vesting of performance share units upon the Issuer having met certain performance objectives, which objectives were certified as having been met on March 4, 2019. Each performance share unit converts into one share of the Issuer's common stock upon vesting. One-third of the performance share units granted on February 7, 2018 vested upon certification of the objectives having been met, which occurred on March 4, 2019, an additional one-third vests on February 7, 2020 and the remaining one-third vests on February 7, 2021.

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