#### Edgar Filing: BROOKS WILLIAM R - Form 4

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BROOKS WILLIAM R Symbol			r Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading AUTOMOTIVE INC [SAH]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (M	iddle) 3. Date of	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(check an approable)				
	AUTOMOTIVE, CAST INDEPENI RD		-				_X_ Director Officer (give below)		9 Owner er (specify	
	(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check</li> <li>Applicable Line)</li> <li>_X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> </ul>				
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(City)	(State) (2	Zip) Table	e I - Non-Do	erivative S	Securi	ties Ac	quired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code	4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	l (A) o l of (D	)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		
Class A Common Stock	04/22/2010		Code V A	Amount 5,000		Price \$ 0 (1)	(Instr. 3 and 4) 39,488	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)

**Reporting Owners** 

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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. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	;	Date	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

## **Reporting Owners**

Director BROOKS WILLIAM R C/O SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC. 5401 EAST INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD CHARLOTTE, NC 28212

**Reporting Owner Name / Address** 

### Signatures

/s/ William R. Brooks 04/22/2010 \*\*Signature of Date Reporting Person

# **Explanation of Responses:**

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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(1) Restricted stock granted pursuant to the Sonic Automotive, Inc. 2005 Formula Restricted Stock Plan for Non-Employee Directors.

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10% Owner Officer Other

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