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| October 26, | 2011 | | | | | | | | | <u></u> | |
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| (Print or Type] | Responses) | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Address of Reporting WILLIAM C | g Person <u>*</u> | Symbol | | | l Ticker or INC. [A | | ng | 5. Relationship of Issuer | | |
| (Last) | (First) | (Middle) | 3. Date o | f Earlies | t Tr | ansaction | 1 | | (Chec | k all applicabl | e) |
| 200 GREENWICH AVENUE | | | (Month/Day/Year) 10/24/2011 | | | | | | X_ Director10% Owner Officer (give titleOther (specify below)below) | | |
| GREENWI | (Street) CH, CT 06830 | | 4. If Ame Filed(Mo | | | ate Origina | 1 | | 6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by O Form filed by M Person | One Reporting P | erson |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tah | le I - No | n-D |)erivative | Secur | ities Aca | uired, Disposed of | ° or Beneficia | llv Owned |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Dat (Month/Day/Year) |) Execution any | ned | 3. | ctio | 4. Securi or(A) or Di (Instr. 3, | ties A spose | cquired d of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect |
| | | | | Code | v | Amount | or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 10/24/2011 | | | S | · | 758 | D | \$ 40.81 (1) | 89,081 | I | See Footnotes (2) (3) |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 10/25/2011 | | | S | | 343 | D | \$ 40.16 (4) | 88,738 | I | See Footnotes (2) (3) |
| Common Stock, par | 10/26/2011 | | | S | | 781 | D | \$ 40.01 | 87,957 | I | See Footnotes |

| value \$0.01 per share | (5) | | | (2) (3) |
|--|-----|--------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | | 21,049 | D (3) (6) | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | | 40,024 | I | See Footnotes (3) (7) |

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) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | ; | Date | Amou Under Secur | le and unt of rlying rities . 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr |
|---|---|---|--|---|---------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--|---|--|
| | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| i o | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| CROWLEY WILLIAM C 200 GREENWICH AVENUE GREENWICH, CT 06830 | Х | | | | | | |

Signatures

**Signature of

Reporting Person

/s/ William C. Crowley

10/26/2011

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 price represents the approximate weighted average price per share of common stock of AutoNation, Inc. (the "Issuer"), par value \$0.01 per share (each, a "Share"), of sales that were executed at prices ranging from \$40.80 to \$40.81 per Share. The Reporting Persons

- (1) undertake to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of Shares sold at each price.
- (2) These Shares are held by Tynan, LLC, a limited liability company of which William C. Crowley is the manager and a member.

This Form 4 is filed on behalf of Mr. Crowley. Mr. Crowley is the President and Chief Operating Officer of ESL Investments, Inc.
(3) ("Investments") which together with various of its affiliates beneficially owns securities of the Issuer. Mr. Crowley disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities of the Issuer beneficially owned by Investments.

This price represents the approximate weighted average price per Share, of sales that were executed at prices ranging from \$39.94 to
(4) \$40.51 per Share. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of Shares sold at each price.

This price represents the approximate weighted average price per Share, of sales that were executed at prices ranging from \$40.00 to
(5) \$40.10 per Share. The Reporting Persons undertake to provide, upon request by the Securities and Exchange Commission staff, the Issuer or a security holder of the Issuer, full information regarding the number of Shares sold at each price.

- (6) These Shares are held directly by Mr. Crowley.
- (7) These Shares are held in grantor retained annuity trusts, of which Mr. Crowley is the trustee.

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