

DeLongchamps Peter C
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FORM 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 DeLongchamps Peter C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC
 [GPI]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 800 GESSNER, SUITE 500
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 10/27/2011

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 VP, Manufacturer Relations

HOUSTON, TX 77024
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	10/27/2011		S	5,280 D \$ 48.165 (1)	61,981.641 (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 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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Num Deriv Secur Bene Own 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
	Director 10% Owner Officer Other
DeLongchamps Peter C 800 GESSNER, SUITE 500 HOUSTON, TX 77024	VP, Manufacturer Relations

Signatures

/s/Beth Sibley, attorney-in-fact for Peter C.
 DeLongchamps 10/28/2011

__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).
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$48.08 to \$48.30, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Group 1 Automotive, Inc., any security holder of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote 1 to this Form 4.
- (1) Includes 166.29 shares purchased in the Group 1 Automotive, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan during the third quarter of 2011 at \$30.22 per share. The plan provides for a stock purchase discount of 15%, and is calculated using the stock closing price of the first or last day of the quarter, whichever is lower.
- (2) \$30.22 per share. The plan provides for a stock purchase discount of 15%, and is calculated using the stock closing price of the first or last day of the quarter, whichever is lower.
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