

CAPITAL AUTOMOTIVE REIT
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ROSENTHAL ROBERT M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
CAPITAL AUTOMOTIVE REIT [CARS]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
8270 GREENSBORO DRIVE
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
12/16/2005

____ Director
____ Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Trustee

MCLEAN, VA 22102

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 or Price | | |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 12/16/2005 | | M | | 25,000 (1) \$ 38.75 | 0 | D |
| Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | 12/16/2005 | | U(2) | | 25,001 (3) \$ 38.75 | 0 | 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 |
| Options for Common Shares of Beneficial Interest | (1) | 12/16/2005 | | M | 25,000 | (1) (1) | Common Shares of Beneficial Interest 25,000 |
| Partnership Units | (4) | 12/16/2005 | | U(4) | 2,703,678 | (4) (4) | Common Shares of Beneficial Interest 0 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|---------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ROSENTHAL ROBERT M 8270 GREENSBORO DRIVE MCLEAN, VA 22102 | | | | Trustee |

Signatures

/s/ Catherine Potter POA for Robert M. Rosenthal 12/19/2005
 **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) These options have vested and expired because of a change of control transaction as required by the Trustee Formula Option stipulated in the Capital Automotive Group Second Amended and Restated 1998 Equity Incentive Plan. These options had a variety of exercise prices as shown below: 10,000 Exercise Price of \$11.594 5,000 Exercise Price of \$22.98 5,000 Exercise Price of \$33.86 5,000 Exercise Price of \$33.40 with an average of exercise price of \$22.6856

(2) These shares were disposed of pursuant to a change of control transaction, the consummation of the merger between Capital Automotive REIT and affiliated entities of DRA Advisors, LLC.

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- (3) This total amount of common shares includes the 25,000 options referenced above that vested upon the change of control transaction.
- (4) These limited partnership units of Capital Automotive L.P. are being disposed of pursuant to a change of control transaction.

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