

BENDER JAMES R
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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 *
BENDER JAMES R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AUTONATION, INC. [AN]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
200 SW 1ST AVE, SUITE 1600

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
03/01/2019

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
EVP, Sales

(Street)
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

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) |
|------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| | | | | (A) or (D) | Price | | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 03/01/2019 | | M | 1,509 A | 4,682 | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 03/01/2019 | | M | 1,144 A | 5,826 | D | |
| Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 03/01/2019 | | F | 1,100 D | \$ 34.89 4,726 | D | |

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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) | 8. Price or Value of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 03/01/2019 | | M | 1,509 | (2) (2) | Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 1,509 |
| Restricted Stock Units | (1) | 03/01/2019 | | M | 1,144 | (3) (3) | Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share | 1,144 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BENDER JAMES R 200 SW 1ST AVE SUITE 1600 FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301 | | | EVP, Sales | |

Signatures

/s/ C. Coleman Edmunds,
Attorney-in-Fact

03/05/2019

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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

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(1) The restricted stock units converted into shares of AutoNation common stock on a one-for-one basis.

The reporting person received a grant of 6,034 restricted stock units on March 1, 2017, subject to stockholder approval of the AutoNation, Inc. 2017 Employee Equity and Incentive Plan, which was obtained on April 19, 2017. The restricted stock units vest in 25% annual

(2) increments on each of the first four anniversaries of March 1, 2017, subject to continued employment with the registrant. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AutoNation common stock, or at AutoNation's election, the cash value thereof.

The reporting person received a grant of 4,576 restricted stock units on March 1, 2018. The restricted stock units vest in 25% annual

(3) increments on each of the first four anniversaries of March 1, 2018, subject to continued employment with the registrant. Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of AutoNation common stock, or at AutoNation's election, the cash value thereof.

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