

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4** UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
ROTH JOHN M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [NYSE: ABG]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
05/15/2007

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

C/O FREEMAN SPOGLI & CO., 11100 SANTA MONICA BLVD., SUITE 1900

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

LOS ANGELES, CA 90025

(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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common stock, par value \$.01 per share	05/15/2007		S	3,922,187	D	I	By Freeman Spogli & Co. (2)
Common stock, par value \$.01 per share						D	2,595 (3)

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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 5)
				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
ROTH JOHN M C/O FREEMAN SPOGLI & CO. 11100 SANTA MONICA BLVD., SUITE 1900 LOS ANGELES, CA 90025	X	X		

## Signatures

Lynne A. Burgess,  
Attorney-in-Fact

05/16/2007

\*\*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) The shares were sold in an underwritten offering to the public at a price of \$26.92 per share.  
Freeman Spogli & Co. sold these shares through its affiliates and affiliated funds, FS Equity Partners III, L.P., FS Equity Partners IV, L.P., MCC International Holdings II, LTD., and FS Asbury Inc. John M. Roth is a director of the Issuer and a director, member, partner or executive officer of the general partners of each of these affiliates and investment funds. Mr. Roth expressly disclaims beneficial ownership of any shares held by such affiliates and investment funds, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in them.
  - (3) The reporting person was granted restricted stock under the Issuer's 2002 Equity Incentive Plan. The restricted stock vests in three equal annual installments beginning on February 22, 2008.

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