

Kearney Michael  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
Kearney Michael

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
07/13/2012

\_\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
EVP & COO

C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC., 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

DULUTH, GA 30097

(City) (State) (Zip)

Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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)	(A) or (D)	5. Amount or Price	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	07/13/2012		M	13,963	A	\$ 3.64	167,627	D	
Common stock, par value \$.01 per share	07/13/2012		S	13,963	D	\$ 26.5	153,664	D	
Common stock, par	07/16/2012		M	879	A	\$ 3.64	154,543	D	

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value \$.01  
per share

Common  
stock, par  
value \$.01  
per share

07/16/2012 S 879 D \$ 26.5 153,664 D

Common  
stock, par  
value \$.01  
per share

07/17/2012 M 25,558 A \$ 3.64 179,222 D

Common  
stock, par  
value \$.01  
per share

07/17/2012 S 25,558 D \$  
26.55 153,664 D  
(2)

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
Stock Option (employee right to buy)	\$ 3.64	07/13/2012		M	13,963	<u>(1)</u> 01/29/2019	Common stock, par value \$.01 per share 13,963
Stock Option (employee right to buy)	\$ 3.64	07/16/2012		M	879	<u>(1)</u> 01/29/2019	Common stock, par value \$.01 per share 879
Stock Option (employee	\$ 3.64	07/17/2012		M	25,558	<u>(1)</u> 01/29/2019	Common stock, par value 25,558

