

AUTONATION INC /FL
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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 *
FERRANDO JONATHAN P

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 110 SE 6TH STREET-20TH FLOOR
 (Street)

FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
02/17/2005

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
SVP, Gen'l Counsel & Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/17/2005		M	55,000 A \$ 11.51	70,000	D	
Common Stock	02/17/2005		S	50,000 D \$ 19.75	20,000 ⁽¹⁾	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
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.51	02/17/2005		M	22,157	<u>(3)</u> 07/15/2006	Common Stock 22,157
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.51	02/17/2005		M	23,221	<u>(5)</u> 01/02/2007	Common Stock 23,221
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 11.51	02/17/2005		M	9,622	<u>(7)</u> 01/02/2008	Common Stock 9,622

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
FERRANDO JONATHAN P 110 SE 6TH STREET-20TH FLOOR FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33301			SVP, Gen'l Counsel & Secretary	

Signatures

Jonathan P. Ferrando
02/17/2005
**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) Excludes 1,687 shares of AutoNation common stock held through the AutoNation, Inc. 401(k) Plan.

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- (2) 15,000 shares are owned by the Reporting Person and his wife as tenants in the entirety and, following Reported Transactions, 5,000 shares will be owned directly by the Reporting Person.
- (3) The option vested in four equal annual installments beginning on July 15, 1997.
- (4) N/A
- (5) The option vested in four equal annual installments beginning on January 2, 1998.
- (6) N/A
- (7) The option vested in four equal annual installments beginning on January 2, 1999.
- (8) N/A

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