

COSPER DAVID P
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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 *
COSPER DAVID P

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC [SAH]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
Vice Chairman and CFO

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC., 6415 IDLEWILD ROAD, SUITE 109

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

11/24/2009

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

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

(Street)

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

CHARLOTTE, NC 28212

(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)		
				(A) or (D)	Price				
				Code	V	Amount			
Class A Common Stock	11/24/2009		S	1,000	D	\$ 9.1	0	I	By daughter
Class A Common Stock	12/23/2009 ⁽¹⁾		S	10,000	D	\$ 10.639	0	I	By spouse
Class A Common Stock							112,196	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

