Rickel John C Form 4 October 30, 2017

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** Form 4 or

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction

1(b).

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obligations

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Rickel John C Symbol **GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC**

(Last) (First)

(Street)

10/27/2017

800 GESSNER, SUITE 500

HOUSTON, TX 77024

Common

Stock

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year)

10/27/2017

[GPI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below) SVP & CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Person

Issuer

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Disposed of (D) Securities (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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80.0016 20,000 D (1)

Ownership Direct (D) or Indirect

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

(Instr. 4)

137,119.5378 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)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Rickel John C 800 GESSNER SUITE 500 HOUSTON, TX 77024

SVP & CFO

Signatures

/s/ Beth Sibley, attorney-in-fact for John C. Rickel

10/30/2017

**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).
 - The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$80.00 to \$80.16, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Group 1 Automotive, Inc., any security holder of Group 1
- Automotive, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnote 1 to this Form 4.
- (2) Includes shares purchased in the Group 1 Automotive, Inc. Employee Stock Purchase Plan. The plan provides for a stock purchase discount of 15%, and is calculated using the stock closing price of the first or last day of the quarter, whichever is lower.

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