GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC Form 8-K September 28, 2005

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

September 27, 2005

## Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-13461	76-0506313
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
950 Echo Lane, Suite 100, Houston, Texas		77024
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		713-647-5700
	Not Applicable	
Former na	ame or former address, if changed since l	ast report
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K fill he following provisions:	ing is intended to simultaneously satisfy	the filing obligation of the registrant under any of
<ul> <li>Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 ut</li> <li>Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 unde</li> <li>Pre-commencement communications pursuant to</li> <li>Pre-commencement communications pursuant to</li> </ul>	er the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12 O Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act	(17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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Item	8.01	Other	Events.

On September 27, 2005, Group 1 Automotive, Inc., a Delaware corporation, announced that it is assisting affected employees and assessing damage at its two (2) Beaumont, Texas dealerships in the aftermath of Hurricane Rita. The company also reported that its Houston-area and New Orleans-area dealerships were not impacted by the storm.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (c) Exhibits
- 99.1 Press Release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of September 27, 2005.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

September 27, 2005 By: Robert T. Ray

Name: Robert T. Ray

Title: Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer &

Treasurer

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Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of September 27, 2005.