GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC Form 8-K July 14, 2006

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):

July 13, 2006

Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

| Delaware | 1-13461 | 76-0506313 |
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| (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 nam | e or former address, if changed since | ast report |
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| Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing the following provisions: | g is intended to simultaneously satisfy | the filing obligation of the registrant under any of |
| Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 und Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under t Pre-commencement communications pursuant to F Pre-commencement communications pursuant to F | the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12 Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act | 2) (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b)) |

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On July 13, 2006, Group 1 Automotive, Inc., a Delaware corporation, announced its plans to conduct a conference call following the release of financial results for the second quarter and three months ended June 30, 2006. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated in this Item 7.01 by reference.

As provided in General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information in the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference in this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of June 13, 2006, announcing release of 2006 second quarter financial results.

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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.

July 14, 2006 By: Jeffrey M. Cameron

Name: Jeffrey M. Cameron

Title: Vice President, Legal Counsel

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