GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC Form 8-K January 11, 2018

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):

January 8, 2018

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.) |
| 800 Gessner, Suite 500, Houston, Texas | | 77024 |
| (Address of principal executive offices) | | (Zip Code) |
| Registrant s telephone number, including area | a code: | 713-647-5700 |
| | Not Applicable | |
| Former name of | or former address, if changed since | last report |
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| Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is the following provisions: | intended to simultaneously satisfy | the filing obligation of the registrant under any of |
| Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the | | |
| Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule | e · | |
| 1 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule | e 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act | (17 CFR 240 13e-4(c)) |

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| Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of |
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| this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter). |

Emerging growth company []

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. []

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| Item | 8.01 | Other | Events. |

On January 8, 2018, Group 1 Automotive, Inc. (the "Company") announced the addition of an open point Land Rover franchise in Watford, located in the northwestern portion of the greater London metropolitan market. The new dealership will be added to the Company's existing Beadles Jaguar Watford dealership.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of January 8, 2018.

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| Exhibit No. | Description | |
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| 99.1 | Press Release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of January 8, 2018. | |

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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.

January 11, 2018 By: /s/ Darryl M. Burman

Name: Darryl M. Burman Title: Sr. Vice President

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