AUTONATION INC /FL

Form 4

January 06, 2009

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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obligations may continue. See Instruction STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CROWLEY WILLIAM C

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AUTONATION INC /FL [AN]

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

110 SE 6TH ST. 29TH FLOOR 01/02/2009

(Zip)

(Street) Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

Officer (give title

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner Other (specify

FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

(State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Code V Amount (D) Price

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

below)

X_ Director

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

5. Number of 4. TransactionDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A)

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative or Disposed of Security (D) (Instr. 3, 4,

and 5)

Code V Expiration Title (A) (D) Date Amount

Exercisable Date

or Number of Shares

Stock

Option \$ 9.88 01/02/2009 (right to

 $A^{(1)}$ 20,000 01/02/2009 01/02/2019

Common 20,000 Stock

buy)

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

10% Owner Officer Other Director

CROWLEY WILLIAM C 110 SE 6TH ST. 29TH FLOOR X FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

Signatures

/s/ William C. 01/02/2009 Crowley

**Signature of Date Reporting Person

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 stock option has been granted pursuant to the AutoNation, Inc. 2007 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan and has a term of ten years, expiring on January 2, 2019.
- (2) N/A

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