AUTONATION, INC.

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reportin FERRANDO JONATHAN	-	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AUTONATION, INC. [AN]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			
		(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
200 SW 1ST AVE, SUITE 1600		10/01/2012	X Officer (give title Other (specify below)		
			EVP, Gen Counsel & Secretary		
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)		
			X Form filed by One Reporting Person		
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL	_ 33301		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10/01/2012		M <u>(1)</u>	19,916	A	\$ 19.21	56,916	D (2)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10/01/2012		S <u>(1)</u>	17,916	D	\$ 43.79	39,000	D (2)	
Common Stock, par	10/03/2012		M(1)	15,000	A	\$ 19.21	54,000	D (2)	

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value \$0.01 per share							
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	10/03/2012	S <u>(1)</u>	14,000 D	\$ 44.79	40,000	D (2)	
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share					1,767	I	By 401(k) Plan

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of on Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.21	10/01/2012		M <u>(1)</u>	19,916	(3)	07/30/2017	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	19,916
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 19.21	10/03/2012		M <u>(1)</u>	15,000	(3)	07/30/2017	Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	15,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

FERRANDO JONATHAN P 200 SW 1ST AVE SUITE 1600 FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

EVP, Gen Counsel & Secretary

Signatures

/s/ Jonathan P. 10/03/2012 Ferrando

**Signature of Reporting Date

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).
- (1) Transaction completed pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 trading plan adopted by the reporting person on August 9, 2012.
- (2) Includes 33,000 shares owned by the reporting person and his wife as tenants by the entirety.
- (3) The option became exercisable in 25% annual increments on each of the first four anniversaries of July 30, 2007.

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