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October 15, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment No. )

Tower Automotive, Inc.

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(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share

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(Title of Class of Securities)

891707101

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(CUSIP Number)

October 13, 2004

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

Rule 13d-1(c)

Rule 13d-1(d)

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The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

CUSIP No. 891707101  
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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS  
I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY)

Timothy R. Barakett

2. CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

(a)

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(b)

3. SEC USE ONLY

4. CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

Canada

NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH

5. SOLE VOTING POWER

977,500

6. SHARED VOTING POWER

2,089,900

7. SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER

977,500

8. SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER

2,089,900

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

3,067,400

10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

11. PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

5.3%

12. TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON (SEE INSTRUCTIONS)

IN

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CUSIP No. 891707101  
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Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

Tower Automotive, Inc.  
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(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

27175 Haggerty Road  
Novi, Michigan  
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Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing:

Timothy R. Barakett (1)

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1 Mr. Barakett is the Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and Managing Member of Atticus Capital, L.L.C., a Delaware limited liability company ("Atticus Capital"). Atticus Capital, together with certain of its affiliated entities (collectively, the "Atticus Entities"), act as advisers for various investment funds (the "Atticus Funds") and managed accounts (the "Atticus Accounts"). Based on his relationship with the Atticus Entities, Mr. Barakett is deemed to be a beneficial owner of the Common Stock owned by the Atticus Funds and the Atticus Accounts for purposes of Section 13(d).  
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(b). Address of Principal Business Office, or if None, Residence:

152 West 57th Street, 45th Floor  
New York, New York 10019  
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(c). Citizenship:

Canada  
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(d). Title of Class of Securities:

Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share  
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(e). CUSIP Number:

891707101  
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Item 3. If This Statement is filed pursuant to ss.240.13d-1(b) or 240.13d-2(b), or (c), check whether the person filing is a:

- (a)  Broker or dealer registered under Section 15 of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (b)  Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (c)  Insurance company as defined in Section 3(a)(19) of the Exchange Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (d)  Investment company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
- (e)  An investment adviser in accordance with s.240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(E);
- (f)  An employee benefit plan or endowment fund in accordance with s.240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F);
- (g)  A parent holding company or control person in accordance with Rule 13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(G);
- (h)  A savings association as defined in Section 3(b) of the Federal

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Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C.1813);

(i)  A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under Section 3(c)(14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-3);

(j)  Group, in accordance with s.240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(J).

Item 4. Ownership.

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount beneficially owned:

3,067,400 Shares

(b) Percent of class:

5.3%

(c) Number of shares as to which the person has:

(i) Sole power to vote or to direct the vote 977,500 shares

(ii) Shared power to vote or to direct the vote 2,089,900 shares

(iii) Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 977,500 shares

(iv) Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of 2,089,900 shares

Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [ ].

N/A.

Item 6. Ownership of More Than Five Percent on Behalf of Another Person.

If any other person is known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, such securities, a statement to that effect should be included in response to this item and, if such interest relates to more than five percent of the class, such person should be identified. A listing of the shareholders of an investment company registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940 or the beneficiaries of employee benefit plan, pension fund or endowment fund is not required.

The Atticus Funds and the Atticus Accounts have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Common Stock.

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Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on by the Parent Holding Company or Control Person.

If a parent holding company or Control person has filed this schedule, pursuant to Rule 13d-1(b) (1) (ii) (G), so indicate under Item 3(g) and attach an exhibit stating the identity and the Item 3 classification of the relevant subsidiary. If a parent holding company or control person has filed this schedule pursuant to Rule 13d-1(c) or Rule 13d-1(d), attach an exhibit stating the identification of the relevant subsidiary.

N/A.  
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Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.

If a group has filed this schedule pursuant to ss.240.13d-1(b) (1) (ii) (J), so indicate under Item 3(j) and attach an exhibit stating the identity and Item 3 classification of each member of the group. If a group has filed this schedule pursuant to ss.240.13d-1(c) or ss.240.13d-1(d), attach an exhibit stating the identity of each member of the group.

N/A.  
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Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Notice of dissolution of a group may be furnished as an exhibit stating the date of the dissolution and that all further filings with respect to transactions in the security reported on will be filed, if required, by members of the group, in their individual capacity. See Item 5.

N/A.  
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Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

10/15/04  
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(Date)

/s/ Timothy R. Barakett  
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(Signature)

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Timothy R. Barakett

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(Name/Title)

Attention. Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute federal criminal violations (see 18 U.S.C. 1001).

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