Short Michael J Form 4 June 05, 2012

# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

Security

(Instr. 3)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Short Michael J

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

AUTONATION, INC. [AN]

(Month/Day/Year)

200 SW 1ST AVE, SUITE 1600

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

06/01/2012

X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

EVP and CFO

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Director

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

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

Issuer

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

(Month/Day/Year)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

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

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Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

(Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

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

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

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 35	06/01/2012		A		30,270		<u>(1)</u>	03/01/2022	Common Stock	30,270

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Short Michael J 200 SW 1ST AVE SUITE 1600

EVP and CFO

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

## **Signatures**

/s/ Jonathan P. Ferrando, Attorney-in-Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

### **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).

06/05/2012

The option becomes exercisable in 25% annual increments on each of the first four anniversaries of June 1, 2012, subject to continuous employment with the Company.

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