GRUSKY ROBERT R

Form 4

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may continue.

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GRUSKY ROBERT R

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

AUTONATION, INC. [AN]

X Director 10% Owner

200 SW 1ST AVE, SUITE 1600

(Street)

(First)

12/01/2011

(Month/Day/Year)

Officer (give title Other (specify below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

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

Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301

(State)

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

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (I) Following

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

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

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 Conversion Security or Exercise (Instr. 3) Price of

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

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired

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

7. Title and Amount of 8 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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Derivative
Security

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

Code V (A) (D) Date Expiration
Exercisable Date

or Number

Title

of Shares

Amount

Stock

Option (right to \$35.99 12/01/2011 $A_{\underline{}}^{(1)}$ 5,000 12/01/2011 12/01/2021 Common Stock 5,000

buy)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

GRUSKY ROBERT R
200 SW 1ST AVE
SUITE 1600
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).
- (1) The stock option has been granted pursuant to the AutoNation, Inc. 2007 Non-Employee Director Stock Option Plan, as amended.

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