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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. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Norona Michael A Issuer Symbol ADVANCE AUTO PARTS INC (Check all applicable) [AAP] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) ADVANCE AUTO PARTS, 03/06/2012 EVP, Chief Financial Officer INC., 5008 AIRPORT RD (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting ROANOKE, VA 24012

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/06/2012		M	50,000 (1)	A	\$ 33.66	92,560	D	
Common Stock	03/06/2012		F	32,521 (2)	D	\$ 87	60,039	D	
Common Stock	03/06/2012		M	63,561 (1)	A	\$ 33.8	123,600	D	
Common Stock	03/06/2012		F	41,913 (2)	D	\$ 87	81,687	D	

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or 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 Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shar
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 33.66	03/06/2012		M		50,000 (1)	(3)	02/15/2015	Common Stock	50,00
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 33.8	03/06/2012		M		63,561 (1)	<u>(4)</u>	02/20/2015	Common Stock	63,56

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Norona Michael A ADVANCE AUTO PARTS, INC. 5008 AIRPORT RD

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

ROANOKE, VA 24012

/s/ Rachel E. Geiersbach, as Attorney-in-Fact for Michael A. Norona

03/07/2012

**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).
- Represents the exercise by Mr. Norona of all his stock appreciation rights scheduled to expire on February 15, 2015 and February 20, 2015, consistent with Mr. Norona's regular practice. Following this transaction, Mr. Norona retains a substantial ownership commitment in beneficially owned stock and vested employee stock appreciation rights (SARs), and he continues to satisfy the Company's stock ownership guidelines for executive officers.
- (2) Represents shares withheld to satisfy exercise price and tax withholding obligation upon the exercise of SARs.

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- (3) These shares became exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on February 15, 2009.
- (4) These shares became exercisable in three equal annual installments beginning on February 19, 2009.

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