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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person \* Statement ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP INC [ABG] A Hartman John Sirel (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2018 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE (Check all applicable) GROUP, INC., 2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW. 10% Owner Director **SUITE 300** \_X\_\_ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group SVP, Operations Filing(Check Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person DULUTH, GAÂ 30097 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 5) Â Common Stock 4,156 (1) D Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not

Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security
2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)
2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date Securities Underlying Derivative Security
3. Title and Amount of Exercise Conversion Ownership Ownership Ownership Or Exercise Form of Conversion Ownership Owner

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(Instr. 4) Price of Derivative Derivative Security: Date **Expiration Title** Amount or Direct (D) Security Exercisable Date Number of or Indirect Shares (I) (Instr. 5)

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hartman John Sirel

C/O ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC.
2905 PREMIERE PARKWAY NW, SUITE 300

DULUTH, GAÂ 30097

Relationships

Other

### **Signatures**

/s/George A. Villasana, Attorney
In-Fact

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Represents unvested shares of restricted stock granted on September 25, 2017. Such shares will vest in equal amounts on September 25, 2018, September 25, 2019 and September 25, 2020.

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