# FORM 4

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Ty	pe Response	s)														
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RACHOR JEFFREY C				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC [SAH]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)XDirector10% Owner						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC., 5401 EAST INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/07/2007					X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)  President and COO						
(Street) CHARLOTTE, NC 28212				4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  X_Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person							
(City) (State) (Zip)				Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acqu						ired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned						
(Instr. 3) Date (Month/Day/Year)			2A. Deemed Execution Date, if		Code (Instr. 8)		(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Reported Transaction(s)			Form:	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficia	of Indirect Beneficial	
			(Month/Day/Year)		Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 a	and 4)		Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Class A Common Stock		02/07/2007(1)			S		20,000	D	\$ 32.5	114,602		D				
Class A Common Stock		02/08/2007(1)			S		20,000	D	\$ 32.5	94,602	94,602		D			
Class A Common Stock		02/09/2007(1)			S		2,202	D	\$ 32.72	92,400	2,400		D			
Reminder:	Report on a s	separate line fo	r each class of secu	rities b	peneficially ov	wned dire	Per	sons wh tained ir	o respo	orm are	not requ	ction of inf uired to res OMB conf	spond unle	ss	2 1474 (9-02	)2)
					ative Securiti outs, calls, wa						ly Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/	3A. Deemed Execution Da	nte, if	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5.	and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Ta	erlying urities tr. 3 and Security (Instr. 5)		9. Number Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 4)	Owner Form of Deriva Securit Direct or Indi	ship of Ind Benef Owne (Instr.	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
					Code V	(A) (D		-	Expiration Date	on Title	Amount or Number of Shares					

# **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
RACHOR JEFFREY C C/O SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC. 5401 EAST INDEPENDENCE BOULEVARD CHARLOTTE, NC 28212	X		President and COO			

### **Signatures**

/s/ Jeffrey C. Rachor	02/09/2007
**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) Shares sold pursuant to 10b5-1 trading plan.

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