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#### INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

2. Date of Event Requiring

Name and Address of Reporting Person *  Vorhoff David C	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) -04/19/2007		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC [SAH]					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC., 6415 IDLEWILD ROAD, SUITE 109				4. Relationship of Issuer (Check X Director	Reporting Person all applicable)	Filed(Mon	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
(Street) CHARLOTTE, NC 28212				Officer (give title Other (specify		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 Beneficially Owned							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 4)	*			4. Nature of Indire (Instr. 5)	ature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership r. 5)			
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)								
(Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			l Amount of Underlying Derivative	Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)	
	ate I kercisable I	Expiration Date	Title Amo	ount or Number of es	Security	(D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)		

# **Reporting Owners**

	Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	
Vorhoff David C C/O SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC. 6415 IDLEWILD ROAD, SUITE 109 CHARLOTTE, NC 28212	X				

### **Signatures**

/s/ David C. Vorhoff	04/23/2007
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## **Explanation of Responses:**

### No securities are beneficially owned

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78ff(a).

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