

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549-3561

Mail Stop 3561

June 7, 2010

By U.S. Mail and facsimile to (954) 769-6402

Michael J. Jackson Chairman and Chief Executive Officer AutoNation, Inc. 200 SW 1st Avenue, Suite 1600 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

Re: AutoNation, Inc.

Form 10-K for Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 2009

Filed February 17, 2010

Definitive Proxy Statement on Schedule 14A

Filed March 25, 2010 File No. 001-13107

Dear Mr. Jackson:

We have reviewed your filings and have the following comments. In some comments we have asked you to provide us with additional information so we may better understand your disclosure. Please do so within the time frame set forth below. You should comply with the remaining comments in all future filings, as applicable. Please confirm in writing that you will do so and also explain to us in sufficient detail how you intend to comply by providing us with your proposed revisions. If you disagree with any of these comments, we will consider your explanation as to why our comment is inapplicable or a revision is unnecessary. Please be as detailed as necessary in your explanation. Please understand that after our review of all of your responses, we may raise additional comments.

Please understand that the purpose of our review process is to assist you in your compliance with the applicable disclosure requirements and to enhance the overall disclosure in your filings. We look forward to working with you in these respects. We welcome any questions you may have about our comments or any other aspect of our review. Feel free to call us at the telephone numbers listed at the end of this letter.

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1. We note that your Form 8-K dated April 28, 2006 attaches your Five-year Credit Agreement dated July 14, 2005. It appears that the schedules and exhibits related to your credit agreement as amended have not been filed on EDGAR. In your next periodic report, please refile this agreement, including all related schedules, exhibits and annexes.

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2. We note that you have not included any disclosure in response to Item 402(s) of Regulation S-K. Please advise us of the basis for your conclusion that disclosure is not necessary and describe the process you undertook to reach that conclusion.

Please respond to these comments within 10 business days or tell us when you will provide us with a response. Please furnish a letter that keys your responses to our comments and provides any requested information. Detailed letters greatly facilitate our review. Please understand that we may have additional comments after reviewing your responses to our comments.

We urge all persons who are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosure in the filings reviewed by the staff to be certain that they have provided all information investors require for an informed decision. Since the company and its management are in possession of all facts relating to a company's disclosure, they are responsible for the accuracy and adequacy of the disclosures they have made.

In connection with responding to our comments, please provide, in writing, a statement from the company acknowledging that:

- the company is responsible for the adequacy and accuracy of the disclosure in the filings;
- staff comments or changes to disclosure in response to staff comments do not foreclose the Commission from taking any action with respect to the filings; and

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• the company may not assert staff comments as a defense in any proceeding initiated by the Commission or any person under the federal securities laws of the United States.

In addition, please be advised that the Division of Enforcement has access to all information you provide to the staff of the Division of Corporation Finance in our review of your filings or in response to our comments on your filings.

Please contact Ronald E. Alper, Staff Attorney, at (202) 551-3329, Brigitte Lippmann, Special Counsel, at (202) 551-3713, or me at (202) 551-3720 with any questions.

Sincerely,

H. Christopher Owings Assistant Director