

SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC

Form 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIESFiled pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting
Person *

Â YOUNG GREG

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O SONIC AUTOMOTIVE,
INC.,Â 6415 IDLEWILD
ROAD, SUITE 109

(Street)

CHARLOTTE,Â NCÂ 28212

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring
Statement

(Month/Day/Year)

09/27/2005

3. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading Symbol
SONIC AUTOMOTIVE INC [SAH]4. Relationship of Reporting
Person(s) to Issuer5. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner☒ Officer ☐ Other

(give title below) (specify below)

VP & Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Filing(Check Applicable Line)

☒ Form filed by One Reporting
Person☐ Form filed by More than One
Reporting Person**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**1. Title of Security
(Instr. 4)2. Amount of Securities
Beneficially Owned
(Instr. 4)3. Ownership
Form:
Direct (D)
or Indirect
(I)
(Instr. 5)4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

Class A Common Stock

900

D Â

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially
owned directly or indirectly.

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currently valid OMB control number.****Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**1. Title of Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)2. Date Exercisable and
Expiration Date
(Month/Day/Year)3. Title and Amount of
Securities Underlying
Derivative Security
(Instr. 4)4. Conversion
or Exercise
Price of
Derivative5. Ownership
Form of
Derivative
Security:6. Nature of Indirect
Beneficial
Ownership
(Instr. 5)

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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Options to Purchase	10/05/2003	10/05/2010	Class A Common Stock	9,833	\$ 7.9375	D	Â
Options to Purchase	05/02/2004	05/02/2011	Class A Common Stock	8,000	\$ 10.35	D	Â
Options to Purchase	05/08/2005	05/08/2012	Class A Common Stock	7,000	\$ 37.5	D	Â
Options to Purchase	Â <u>(1)</u>	04/18/2013	Class A Common Stock	8,000	\$ 15.9	D	Â
Options to Purchase	Â <u>(2)</u>	02/19/2014	Class A Common Stock	10,000	\$ 23.78	D	Â
Options to Purchase	Â <u>(3)</u>	04/21/2015	Class A Common Stock	12,000	\$ 19.23	D	Â
Option to Purchase (ESPP)	01/01/2005	12/31/2005	Class A Common Stock	300	\$ <u>(4)</u>	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
YOUNG GREG C/O SONIC AUTOMOTIVE, INC. 6415 IDLEWILD ROAD, SUITE 109 CHARLOTTE, NC 28212	Â	Â	Â VP & Chief Accounting Officer	Â

Signatures

/s/ Greg Young 10/05/2005

 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) These options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on 4/18/2004.

(2) These options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on 2/19/2005.

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(3) These options vest in three equal annual installments beginning on 4/21/2006.

(4) Calculated in accordance with Sonic Automotive, Inc.'s Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

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