**AUTOZONE INC** 

Form 4 June 02, 2010

# FORM 4

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* CROWLEY WILLIAM C

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

**AUTOZONE INC [AZO]** 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

200 GREENWICH AVENUE

(Month/Day/Year)

06/01/2010

\_X\_\_ 10% Owner \_X\_\_ Director Officer (give title \_ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

GREENWICH, CT 06830

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	omr Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of (4 and :	5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	06/01/2010		Code V	Amount	(D)	Price \$ 193.86	15,970	I	See Footnotes (2) (3) (4) (6)
Common Stock, par value \$0.01 per share	06/02/2010		J <u>(1)</u>	18,060	A	\$ 0 (1)	34,030	I	See Footnotes (2) (3) (4) (6)
Common Stock, par	06/02/2010		S	318	D	\$ 192.14	33,712	I	See Footnotes

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(2) (3) (4) (6) value \$0.01 per share Common Stock, par See **J**(5) 06/02/2010  $10,345 \quad A \quad \$ \ 0 \ \frac{(5)}{} \quad 44,057$ I Footnotes value \$0.01 per (2) (3) (4) (6) share

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

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

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
CROWLEY WILLIAM C 200 GREENWICH AVENUE GREENWICH, CT 06830	X	X					

## **Signatures**

/s/ WILLIAM C.
CROWLEY
06/02/2010

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person
Date

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### **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).

As part of an internal restructuring by the Reporting Persons that occurred on June 2, 2010, ESL Partners, L.P. ("Partners") distributed these shares of common stock, par value \$0.01 per share ("Shares"), of AutoZone, Inc. (the "Issuer") to its general partner, RBS Partners, L.P. ("RBS"). RBS then immediately distributed 2,257,761 of these Shares to Edward S. Lampert and 18,060 of these Shares

- (1) to William C. Crowley. Mr. Lampert and Mr. Crowley are parties to an agreement with Partners that generally requires Mr. Lampert and Mr. Crowley to sell these Shares received, and to make certain purchases of additional Shares of the Issuer, on a pro rata basis with Partners, at the same time and on substantially the same economic terms and conditions (subject to certain legal, tax, accounting or regulatory con-siderations).
  - The internal restructuring transactions described herein will result in direct ownership by Mr. Lampert and Mr. Crowley of a portion of their respective indirect ownership interests in the Issuer. Specifically, Partners is making a partial distribution to RBS based on RBS's
- (2) pro rata share of the assets of Partners. Of that distribution, a portion of the Shares indirectly owned by Mr. Lampert will initially be retained by ESL Partners and, upon expiration or termination of the waiting period under the Hart-Scott Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act of 1976, as amended ("HSR Approval"), will be distributed to RBS, which in turn will make a distribution to Mr. Lampert. Filing for HSR Approval is expected to be made shortly.
- As a result of this internal restructuring, described in footnote 1 above and footnote 5 below, both after the distribution of Shares reflected in this filing, and after the additional distribution of Shares to Mr. Lampert upon receiving HSR Approval, the combined direct and indirect ownership of Mr. Lampert and Mr. Crowley in the Issuer, and the pecuniary interest of each of Mr. Lampert and Mr. Crowley in the Issuer, will not change
- (4) These Shares are held by Tynan, LLC, ("Tynan") a limited liability company of which Mr. Crowley is the sole member.
- (5) These Shares were distributed by ESL Investments, Inc. ("Investments") to Mr. Lampert and Mr. Crowley. As a result of this transaction, Mr. Crowley directly holds Shares in which he previously held an indirect interest.
  - This Form 4 is filed on behalf of Mr. Crowley. Mr. Crowley is the President and Chief Operating Officer of Investments, which together with various of its affiliates beneficially owns securities of the Issuer. Mr. Crowley disclaims beneficial ownership of all
- (6) securities of the Issuer beneficially owned by Investments and Mr. Lampert. Mr. Lampert is separately filing a Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership on Form 4 in connection with these transactions and disclaims beneficial ownership of all securities beneficially owned by Mr. Crowley.

#### **Remarks:**

Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(2)(ii)(B) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Act"), each of the Reporting Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.