GROUP 1 AUTOMOTIVE INC Form 8-K April 17, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of Earliest Event Reported):

April 12, 2006

Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-13461	76-0506313
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)
950 Echo Lane, Suite 100, Houston, Texas		77024
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area code:		713-647-5700
	Not Applicable	
Former na	ame or former address, if changed since l	ast report
Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K fill he following provisions:	ing is intended to simultaneously satisfy	the filing obligation of the registrant under any of
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Principal Officers.

Resignation of Executive Vice President

Effective April 12, 2006, John T. Turner resigned as Executive Vice President of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"). Mr. Turner will continue as an employee of the Company.

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On April 13, 2006, Group 1 Automotive, Inc., a Delaware corporation, announced its plans to conduct a conference call following the release of financial results for the first quarter and three months ended March 31, 2006. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated in this Item 7.01 by reference.

As provided in General Instruction B.2. of Form 8-K, the information in the press release attached as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference in this Item 7.01 shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), nor shall such information be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of April 13, 2006, announcing release of 2006 first quarter financial results.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

April 17, 2006 By: John C. Rickel

Name: John C. Rickel

Title: Senior Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

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Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press Release of Group 1 Automotive, Inc., dated as of April 13, 2006, announcing release of 2006 first quarter financial results.