

NELSON RONALD L
Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
NELSON RONALD L

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC.
[CAR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
6 SYLVAN WAY
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
01/28/2009

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chariman and CEO

PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (D) | Price |

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 Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title |
|--|------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------|---|---------|-----|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 0.79 | 01/28/2009 | | | A | | 212,500 | | 01/28/2011 | 01/28/2019 | Common Stock |
| Performance Vesting Stock Options (right to buy) | \$ 0.79 | 01/28/2009 | | | A | | 212,500 | | 01/28/2011 ⁽¹⁾ | 01/28/2019 | Common Stock |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| NELSON RONALD L 6 SYLVAN WAY PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054 | X | | Chariman and CEO | |

Signatures

Jean M. Sera, by Power of Attorney for Ronald L. Nelson
 01/30/2009
 __Signature of Reporting Person Date

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).
- (1) This option will become exercisable if the average per-share closing price of the Company's common stock equals or exceeds \$5.00 over any consecutive 20 trading days between the grant date and January 28, 2011.

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