## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>HYDE JOSEPH R III</u>				2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol AUTOZONE INC [ AZO ]								(Ch	eck all appli	onship of Reporting all applicable) Director		son(s) to Iss					
(Last) (First) (Middle) 123 SOUTH FRONT STREET						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2005									Officer below)	er (give title w)		Other (s below)	specify		
(Street)  MEMPH  (City)			38103 (Zip)		4. If a	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Line	e) X Form f Form f	dividual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)					Execution Date,		e, Transaction Disposed Of Code (Instr. 5)		ities Acquired (A) d Of (D) (Instr. 3,		(A) or 3, 4 and	Benefici	es ally Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership					
					Code V					Amount		(A) or (D)	Price	Transaci (Instr. 3	ction(s)			(Instr. 4)			
	Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	rcise (Month/Day/Year) if any (Code 8)		ransac Code (Ir	saction of			6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)			8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Own Forn Direc or In (I) (Ir	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
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Non Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) <sup>(1)</sup>	\$90.455	01/01/2005			A		3,000		01/01/2008	0:	1/01/2015	Comi		3,000	\$0	3,000		D			

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Granted in accordance with the AutoZone, Inc. 2003 Director Stock Option Plan.

## Remarks:

/s/ J.R. Hyde, III

01/03/2005

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

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