

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CROWLEY WILLIAM C</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>123 SOUTH FRONT STREET</u> (Street) <u>MEMPHIS TN 38103</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>AUTOZONE INC [AZO]</u>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/01/2012</u>	
		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/01/2012		A		153.8 ⁽¹⁾	A ⁽²⁾	\$324.97 ⁽³⁾	843.7	D ⁽⁴⁾	
Common Stock								11,212	I	By Limited Liability Company
Common Stock								5,969	I	By Trust

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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)					

Explanation of Responses:

- Restricted stock units (fully vested on the date of grant) issued to the reporting person in accordance with the AutoZone, Inc. 2011 Equity Incentive Award Plan and the AutoZone, Inc. 2011 Director Compensation Program in lieu of quarterly retainer fees in an aggregate amount equal to \$50,000. The number of shares of the issuer's common stock underlying the restricted stock unit award is equal to the reporting person's aggregate quarterly retainer fee, divided by the closing market price of a share of the issuer's common stock on December 30, 2011.
- The shares will be delivered to the reporting person immediately upon the date on which the reporting person ceases to be a director for any reason, provided that such reporting person incurs a "separation from service" from the issuer (within the meaning of Section 409A of the Internal Revenue Code and the related Treasury Regulations) (the "Termination Date"), unless the reporting person has irrevocably elected in writing by December 31, 2010 to defer the delivery of such shares: (1) in a single lump-sum payment on the fifth anniversary of the Termination Date; (2) in a single lump-sum payment on the tenth anniversary of the Termination Date; or (3) in two equal installments on each of the fifth and tenth anniversaries of the Termination Date.
- The price per share is equal to the closing market price of a share of the issuer's common stock on December 30, 2011.
- Mr. Crowley is the President and Chief Operating Officer of ESL Investments, Inc. which together with various of its affiliates owns common stock of the issuer. Mr. Crowley disclaims beneficial ownership of all shares of the issuer beneficially owned by ESL Investments, Inc.

/s/ William C. Crowley

01/03/2012

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

* 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).

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