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Form 8-K January 25, 2017

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): January 25, 2017 (January 24, 2017)

Asbury Automotive Group, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-31262 01-0609375

(Commission File Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2905 Premiere Parkway NW Suite 300

Duluth, GA 30097

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(770) 418-8200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

None

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On January 24, 2017, Mr. Keith Style, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of Asbury Automotive Group, Inc. (the "Company") provided notice of his intention to resign from the Company effective March 7, 2017, to accept the position of President and Chief Financial Officer of a privately-owned company. The Company has commenced a national search for the Chief Financial Officer position.

On January 25, 2017, Mr. William Stax, Corporate Controller and Chief Accounting Officer ("CAO") of the Company, was appointed to serve as Interim Principal Financial Officer of the Company effective March 8, 2017. Mr. Stax will continue to serve as Corporate Controller and CAO during his tenure as Interim Principal Financial Officer. Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The following exhibits are furnished as part of this report. Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release of Asbury Automotive Group, Inc., dated January 25, 2017.

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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.

ASBURY AUTOMOTIVE GROUP, INC.

Date: January 25, 2017 By: /s/ George A. Villasana

Name: George A. Villasana

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary