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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * GARTZKE DAVID G

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Middle)

(Zip)

ADESA INC [KAR]

(Check all applicable)

13085 HAMILTON CROSSING

(Street)

(State)

(First)

BLVD.

(Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2004

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

below) below) Chairman, President & CEO

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CARMEL, IN 46032

(City)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3) any

3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Amount

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

D

(A) (D) Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common

Stock, par value \$.01

per share (1)

12/15/2004

58.183 A \$0 31,497.29 Α

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

(Month/Day/Year)

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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 (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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units convertible to Common Stock (2)	\$ 0	12/15/2004		A	154.878	(3)	<u>(4)</u>	Common Stock, par value \$.01 per share	154.878

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
Topot and O made 1 mine, 1 min 100	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
GARTZKE DAVID G 13085 HAMILTON CROSSING BLVD. CARMEL, IN 46032	X		Chairman, President & CEO				

Signatures

Michelle Mallon for David G.

Gartzke 12/17/2004

**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) Acquired dividend on unvested grants.
- (2) Acquired dividend on unvested Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) Restricted Stock Units vest on the third anniversary of the date of grant, provided that the executive is employed by ADESA, Inc. on such date at which time they will be converted into shares of ADESA, Inc. common stock or cash, at the election of ADESA, Inc.
- (4) N/A

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