

SALERNO F ROBERT
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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 *
 SALERNO F ROBERT

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)
 President & COO

PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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)		
				(A) or (D)	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)		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
				Code	V			
Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 0.79	01/28/2009	A	187,500		01/28/2011	01/28/2019	Common Stock
Performance Vesting Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 0.79	01/28/2009	A	187,500		01/28/2011 ⁽¹⁾	01/28/2019	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
SALERNO F ROBERT 6 SYLVAN WAY PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054	X		President & COO	

Signatures

Jean M. Sera, by Power of Attorney for F. Robert
Salerno 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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