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## FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Add<br><u>HYDE JOS</u>   | 1 0  | Person* | 2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol<br>AUTOZONE INC [ AZO ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer<br>(Check all applicable)<br>X Director 10% Owner |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|---------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| (Last)<br>123 SOUTH F  | st) (First) (Middle)<br>3 SOUTH FRONT STREET |         | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/01/2003                | Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |         | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                   | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable  |  |  |  |  |  |
| (Street)   | rreet)                                       |         |  | Line)<br>X Form filed by One Reporting Person  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| (City)   | (State)                                      | (Zip)   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned |  |         |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transaction 2A. Deemed 4. Securities Acquired (A) or 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 3. Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and Date Execution Date Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Month/Day/Year) if any Code (Instr. 5) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Month/Dav/Year) 8) **Owned Following** (I) (Instr. 4) Ownership Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (A) or (D) v Price Code Amount (Instr. 3 and 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

|   | (c.g., puls, variants, options, convertible securities)               |  |   |                              |   |  |  |                     |  |                 |   |  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|---|------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------|--|-----------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date,<br>if any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transa<br>Code (<br>8) |   | of<br>Deriva<br>Securi<br>Acquir<br>(A) or<br>Dispos<br>of (D) | erivative (Month/Day/Year)<br>ecurities<br>cquired<br>) or<br>(p)<br>(fD)<br>str. 3, 4 |                     | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative Security<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                 | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 4) | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|   |   |  |   | Code                         | v | (A)  | (D)  | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date   | Title           | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares              |  |  |  |  |
| Stock<br>Appreciation<br>Rights <sup>(1)</sup>      | \$0   | 12/01/2003                                 |   | A                            |   | 104.2  |  | (2)                 | (3)  | Common<br>Stock | 104.2   | \$95.97  | 5,076.9  | D  |  |

Explanation of Responses:

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

2. Stock Appreciation Rights are convertible to Common Stock or cash immediately upon termination as a director.

3. Stock Appreciation Rights do not expire.

**Remarks:** 

## /s/ J.R. Hyde, III

12/01/2003 Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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