

Gartland Thomas M
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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 *
 Gartland Thomas M

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 AVIS BUDGET GROUP, INC.
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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)
 01/25/2012

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President, North America

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

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

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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial 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 Securities (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)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2012		A			41,667		<u>(2)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	41,667
Performance Based Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2012		A			41,667		<u>(3)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	41,667
Performance Based Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 ⁽¹⁾	01/25/2012		A	V		138,889		<u>(4)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Common Stock	138,889

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Gartland Thomas M 6 SYLVAN WAY PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054			President, North America	

Signatures

Jean M. Sera, by Power of Attorney for Thomas M. Gartland	01/27/2012
<u> </u> **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) Units convert to Common Stock on a one-to-one basis upon vesting.
- (2) Grant vests in three equal installments on January 25, 2013, 2014 and 2015.
Between 50% and 100% of the units will vest on January 25, 2015, if the average per-share closing price of the Company's common stock equals or exceeds a minimum threshold price of \$17.64 and a maximum target price of \$19.69 over any consecutive 30 trading days
- (3) between the grant date and the third anniversary of the date of grant. The actual number of units that vest, based on the average per-share closing price between the threshold and target prices shall be determined on a pro rata basis using straight line interpolation.
- (4) Grant vests on January 25, 2015, subject to the Company's attainment of pre-established financial performance goals.
- (5) Expiration date not applicable.

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