

ESL INVESTORS LLC  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
ESL INVESTMENTS INC

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
AUTOZONE INC [AZO]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
200 GREENWICH AVENUE  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/12/2004

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
\_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

GREENWICH, CT 06830

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_X\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)      |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Common Stock                    | 10/12/2004                           |  | P                              | V Amount (A) or (D) Price<br>243,611 A \$ 76.9811                 | 11,160,236  | D <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup> <sub>(5)</sub>           |  |
| Common Stock                    | 10/12/2004                           |  | P                              | V Amount (A) or (D) Price<br>56,389 A \$ 76.9811                  | 3,739,426   | D <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup> <sub>(5)</sub>           |  |
| Common Stock                    | 10/14/2004                           |  | P                              | V Amount (A) or (D) Price<br>360,707 A \$ 76.5311                 | 11,520,943  | D <sup>(1)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup> <sub>(5)</sub>           |  |
| Common Stock                    | 10/14/2004                           |  | P                              | V Amount (A) or (D) Price<br>119,093 A \$ 76.5311                 | 3,858,519   | D <sup>(2)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup> <sub>(5)</sub>           |  |
| Common Stock                    |                                      |  |                                |   | 5,970,423   | I  | See footnotes <sup>(3)</sup> <sup>(4)</sup> <sup>(5)</sup> |

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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 (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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative 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) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5) |
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## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                                      | Relationships |           |         |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| ESL INVESTMENTS INC<br>200 GREENWICH AVENUE<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830  |               | X         |         |       |
| ESL PARTNERS LP<br>200 GREENWICH AVENUE<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830      |               | X         |         |       |
| ESL INVESTORS LLC<br>200 GREENWICH AVE<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830       |               | X         |         |       |
| RBS PARTNERS L P /CT<br>200 GREENWICH AVENUE<br>GREENWICH, CT 06830 |               | X         |         |       |
| LAMPERT EDWARD S  |               | X         |         |       |

## Signatures

/s/ William C. Crowley, for ESL  
Investments, Inc. 10/14/2004

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ William C. Crowley, for ESL Partners,  
L.P. 10/14/2004

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ William C. Crowley, for ESL Investors,  
L.L.C. 10/14/2004

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ William C. Crowley, for RBS Partners,  
L.P. 10/14/2004

\_\_Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Edward S. Lampert 10/14/2004

\_\_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) These securities are owned by ESL Partners, L.P. ("Partners").

(2) These securities are owned by ESL Investors, L.L.C. ("Investors").

(3) Includes (i) 71,771 shares held by ESL Institutional Partners, L.P. ("Institutional"), (ii) 5,875,557 shares held by Acres Partners, L.P. ("Acres"), (iii) 19,310 shares held by ESL Investment Management, LLC ("ESLIM") and (iv) 3,785 shares held by Edward S. Lampert.

(4) This Form 4 is filed on behalf of Partners, Investors, ESL Investments, Inc. ("Investments"), RBS Partners, L.P. ("RBS") and Edward S. Lampert. RBS is the general partner of Partners and the manager of Investors. Investments is the general partner of RBS and Acres. RBS Investment Management, LLC ("RBSIM") is the general partner of Institutional. Mr. Lampert is a controlling stockholder of Investments and the managing member of ESLIM and RBSIM.

(5) Each of Partners, Institutional, Investors, Acres, ESLIM, Investments, RBS, RBSIM and Mr. Lampert may be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the securities reported herein. The total amount of securities reported as beneficially owned by Partners, Institutional, Investors, Acres and ESLIM is greater than Investments' or Mr. Lampert's indirect pecuniary interest in such securities. The total amount of securities reported as beneficially owned by Partners and Investors is greater than RBS' indirect pecuniary interest in such securities. The total amount of securities reported as beneficially owned by Institutional is greater than RBSIM's indirect pecuniary interest in such securities.

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