October 19, 2009

Darryl M. Burman, Esq. Vice President and General Counsel Group 1 Automotive, Inc. 800 Gessner, Suite 500 Houston, Texas 77024

Re: Group 1 Automotive, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Year Ended December 31, 2008, as amended

Filed February 25, 2009

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Dear Mr. Burman:

We have completed our review of your annual report on Form 10-K and related filings, and we have no further comments at this time.

Sincerely,

H. Christopher Owings Assistant Director

cc: Gillian A. Hobson, Esq. Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. Via Facsimile