

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

For prospective franchisees of American Tire Depot, Inc as required by the State of California

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American Tire Depot, Inc, a California corporation located at 16201 Commerce Way, Cerritos, California 90703, telephone # (626) 932-1441, ("The Franchise" or "Franchisor") pursuant to its standard Franchise Agreement grants franchises to certain qualified persons The Franchise Agreement gives the franchise the right to own and operate a franchise store under the name of "American Tire Depot" as part of the Franchisor's franchise system These "American Tire Depot" stores specialize in the retail sale and installation of tires, wheels and other automotive related products and services

The Franchisor provides two basic franchise plans (1) the Existing Store Plan, where the Franchisor provides a completely operational store prior to the franchisee taking control of the store, and (2) the Franchise New Location Plan, where the Franchisor and the franchisee work together to convert an independent retail tire or automotive related store owned and operated by the prospective franchisee into a new American Tire Depot store Both plans require the franchisee to have at least \$100,000 00 in available working capital prior to commencing operations of the Franchise Store

The total investment necessary to begin operation of an American Tire Depot Franchise Store generally ranges from \$335,000 to \$548,000 This includes the \$25,000 initial franchise fee that must be paid to the Franchisor or its affiliate

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar-days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make payment to, the Franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale **Note, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document**

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship Do not rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract Read all of your contract carefully Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant

Buying a franchise is a complex investment The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind More information on franchising, such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D C 20580 You can also visit the FTC's home page at <u>www ftc gov</u> for additional information Call your state agency or visit a public library for other sources of information on franchising



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Item 1 FRANCHISOR AND ANY PARENTS, PREDECESSORS AND AFFILIATES

A The Name Of Franchisor

"American Tire Depot" is a corporation, duly incorporated in the State of California (hereinafter "Franchisor") Franchisor is a wholly owned subsidiary of ATV, Inc located and doing business at 16201 Commerce Way, Cerritos, California 90703 Franchisor does business under the distinctive name of "American Tire Depot' Franchisor's principal business address is 16201 Commerce Way, Cerritos, California 90703 Franchisor's affiliate is ATV, Inc which provides operations and inventory support at fee to Franchisor Franchisor's agent for service of process is

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B Predecessor(s)

The Franchisor has no predecessor(s)

C Franchisor's Parent and Affiliate

The Franchisor's parent, ATV, Inc, owns and operates a total of fifty (50) tire stores, under the corporate name, and five (5) Franchise Stores, all of which are located in the State of California ATV, Inc also owns and operates a distribution center which distributes passenger and truck tires, brakes, shocks, and related automotive merchandise, manufactured primarily by name brand manufacturers, including Michelin, Pirelli, Firestone, Bridgestone, Falken, BF Goodrich, Goodyear, Dunlop, Uniroyal The Franchisor's parent has negotiated an exclusive relationship with a large Chinese tire manufacturer in the distribution and sale of tire brands for the exclusive distribution in the United States & Canada

Franchisor benefits from its affiliation with ATV, Inc's management systems and experience through a Franchising Implementation Agreement entered into between Franchisor and ATV, Inc Under that agreement, Franchisor has a master license to use, and license franchisees to use the trade name "American Tire Depot" The Franchising Implementation Agreement also provides the Franchisor access to ATV, Inc's advertising, vast inventory selection, training, administration and management expertise, as well as its purchasing power with manufacturers at a special fee to Franchisor

D The Franchisor's Business

Franchisor's primary business is the franchising of retail stores under the name of "American Tire Depot" These stores sell, at retail and wholesale, tires wheels and other automotive products to the public

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