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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Light Jay O

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

below)

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

09/18/2011

Blackstone Group L.P. [BX]

X_ Director

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP, 345 PARK AVENUE. FLOOR 44

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Officer (give title

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10154

(State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)

(City)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

6. 7. Nature of Ownership Form: Direct Beneficial (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 4)

Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)

Reported Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

Common

units

partner interests (1)

representing limited

09/18/2011

Α 7.194 D

(A)

or

\$0 22,194 D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

(Month/Day/Year)

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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					Code v	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Light Jay O

C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP
345 PARK AVENUE, FLOOR 44

NEW YORK, NY 10154

Signatures

Robert L. Friedman as Attorney-in-Fact

09/20/2011

**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).

Granted under the 2007 Equity Incentive Plan, these deferred, restricted units will vest, and the underlying common units will be

(1) delivered, on 09/18/2012, subject to Mr. Light's continued service on the board of directors of Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., the general partner of The Blackstone Group L.P.

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