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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting

(First)

(Street)

Person *

(Last)

Statement

2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Buser Curtis L.

Carlyle Group L.P. [CG]

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) 05/03/2012

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

1001 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW

1. Title of Security

(Instr. 4)

(Check all applicable)

10% Owner

6. Individual or Joint/Group

Director _X__ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below)

Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting

Chief Accounting Officer Person

Form filed by More than One

Reporting Person

WASHINGTON, DCÂ 20004

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Amount of Securities

Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

Ownership

Form:

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial

Ownership (Instr. 5)

Direct (D) or Indirect (I)

(Instr. 5)

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

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

(Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of

5. Ownership Form of Derivative

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

(Instr. 4)

Date **Expiration Title** Exercisable Date

Amount or Number of Shares

Derivative Security

Security: Direct (D) or Indirect

(I)

(Instr. 5)

Carlyle Holdings partnership units $\hat{A} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \hat{A} \stackrel{\hat{A}}{=} \hat{A} \stackrel{(1)}{=} \hat{A} \stackrel{\text{Common Units}}{=} 260,708 \stackrel{\$ \stackrel{(1)}{=}}{=} D \quad \hat{A}$

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Buser Curtis L. 1001 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, NW WASHINGTON, DC 20004	Â	Â	Chief Accounting Officer	Â

Signatures

/s/ Curtis L.
Buser

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Pursuant to the terms of the exchange agreement and subject to certain requirements and restrictions, the partnership units of Carlyle Holdings are exchangeable for common units of The Carlyle Group L.P. on a one-for-one basis, from and after May 8, 2013.

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Remarks:

Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Reporting Pe

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