Blackstone Group L.P. Form 8-K September 25, 2017

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): September 25, 2017

The Blackstone Group L.P.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction

001-33551 (Commission 20-8875684 (I.R.S. Employer

of incorporation)

File Number)

Identification No.)

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345 Park Avenue

New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

10154 (Zip Code)

(212) 583-5000

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

NOT APPLICABLE

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c)) Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On September 25, 2017, The Blackstone Group L.P. issued a press release announcing that Blackstone Holdings Finance Co. L.L.C., an indirect subsidiary of The Blackstone Group L.P., priced an offering of \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 3.150% Senior Notes due 2027 and \$300,000,000 aggregate principal amount of 4.000% Senior Notes due 2047. The notes are to be fully and unconditionally guaranteed by The Blackstone Group L.P., Blackstone Holdings I L.P., Blackstone Holdings III L.P., Blackstone Holdings III L.P., and Blackstone Holdings IV L.P. Blackstone intends to use the net proceeds from the sale of the notes, together with cash on hand or available liquidity, to repurchase all of its outstanding 6.625% Senior Notes due 2019 (the 2019 Notes) pursuant to a tender offer and to redeem any of the 2019 Notes that remain outstanding thereafter.

The notes were offered pursuant to Rule 144A and Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933. The notes have not been registered under the Securities Act and may not be offered or sold in the United States absent registration or an applicable exemption from the registration requirements.

A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

Exhibit 99.1 Press release of Blackstone, dated September 25, 2017.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Date: September 25, 2017

The Blackstone Group L.P.

By: Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., its general partner

By: /s/ John G. Finley Name: John G. Finley Title: Chief Legal Officer