Blackstone Group L.P. Form 4 July 06, 2015

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## FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**SECURITIES** Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,

obligations may continue. See Instruction Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* Solotar Joan

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP, 345 PARK AVENUE. 43RD FLOOR

(Street)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Blackstone Group L.P. [BX]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

07/01/2015

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Director

X\_ Officer (give title

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

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6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

Person

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

Issuer

below)

NEW YORK, NY 10154

(City)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Instr. 3)

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

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

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)

Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned

Beneficially

or Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

Indirect

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

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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 Derivative

Conversion

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative

4. 5. Number of

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** 

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** 

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr.	8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		(Month/Day/	Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Blackstone Holdings partnership units (1)	(1)	07/01/2015		A		70,674 (2)		<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common units representing limited partner interests	70,674

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Solotar Joan C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP 345 PARK AVENUE, 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10154

SMD, External Relations

#### **Signatures**

Tabea Y. Hsi as Attorney-In-Fact 07/06/2015

\*\*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).

A "Blackstone Holdings partnership" unit collectively refers to one limited partner interest in each of Blackstone Holdings I L.P.,
Blackstone Holdings II L.P., Blackstone Holdings III L.P., and Blackstone Holdings IV L.P. Subject to the minimum retained ownership requirements and transfer restrictions set forth in the partnership agreements of the Blackstone partnerships, the Reporting Person has the rights, exercisable from time to time, to exchange each Blackstone Holdings partnership unit for one common unit of The Blackstone Group L.P. The Blackstone Holdings partnership units have no expiration date and may not be exchanged at any time prior to December 31, 2015 other than pursuant to transactions or programs approved by Blackstone.

Granted under the 2007 Equity Incentive Plan, 20% of these deferred restricted Blackstone Holdings partnership units, or 14,135 units, will vest on July 1, 2018; an additional 30%, or 21,202 units, will vest on July 1, 2019; and the remaining 50%, or 35,337 units, will vest on July 1, 2020. As these deferred restricted Blackstone Holdings partnership units vest, the underlying Blackstone Holdings partnership units will be delivered to the Reporting Person, except that no more than 3/4 of the vested units will be delivered during the Reporting Person's service with Blackstone (with the remaining units to be delivered after the expiration of the Reporting Person's restrictive covenant period). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the units may be delivered earlier upon a change in control of Blackstone.

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