HILL J TOMILSON

Form 5

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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer HILL J TOMILSON Symbol Blackstone Group L.P. [BX] (Check all applicable) 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Last) (First) (Middle) (Month/Day/Year) _X_ Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify 12/31/2009 below) below) C/O THE BLACKSTONE Vice Chairman GROUP, 345 PARK AVENUE (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting Filed(Month/Day/Year)

NEW YORK, NYÂ 10154

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

(check applicable line)

(City) (State) (Zip)

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction Acquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned at end Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) of Issuer's (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) (A) Fiscal Year

or

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

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

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

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. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Derivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A)		

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	Derivative Security				(D)	sposed of c. 3, 4,				
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor Numl Share
Blackstone Holdings Partnership units (1)	Â	11/12/2009	Â	G(2)	Â	36,617	(1)	(1)	Common units representing limited partnership units	36
Blackstone Holdings Partnership units	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(1)	(1)	Common units representing limited partnership units	1,50
Blackstone Holdings Partnership units	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	(1)	(1)	Common units representing limited partnership units	6,41

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HILL J TOMILSON						
C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP	â v	â	Vice Chairman	â		
345 PARK AVENUE	АЛ	А	A vice Chamilian	A		
NEW YORK, NY 10154						

Signatures

/s/Robert L. Friedman as Attorney-In-Fact 02/11/2010

**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).
- (1) 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. 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 Holdings partnerships, the Reporting Person has the right, exercisable from time to time, to exchange each Blackstone Holding 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

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December 31, 2010 other than pursuant to transactions or programs approved by Blackstone.

- (2) The Reporting Person donated 36,617 Blackstone Holdings partnership units to a charitable foundation.
- (3) Such Blackstone Holdings partnership units are held in a Grantor Retained Annuity Trust, for which the spouse of the Reporting Person is the investment trustee.
- (4) These Blackstone Holdings partnership units are held in a trust, for the benefit of the Reporting Person's children, of which the Reporting Person is trustee with investment power.
- Pursuant to Rule 16a-1(a)(4) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the Reporting Person herein states that this filing shall not be deemed an admission that he or it is the beneficial owner of any of these interests, and disclaims beneficial ownership of such interests, except to the extent of his pecuniary interest in such interests.

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