#### HILL J TOMILSON

Form 4

February 10, 2012

# FORM 4

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

partner

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person |
|---|
| HILL J TOMILSON                         |

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

Blackstone Group L.P. [BX]

(Check all applicable)

C/O THE BLACKSTONE

(Street)

(First)

GROUP, 345 PARK AVENUE, 43RD FLOOR

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) \_\_

\_X\_ Director \_\_\_\_\_ 10% Owner \_X\_ Officer (give title \_\_\_\_ Other (specify below)

02/08/2012

Vice Chairman

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10154

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|---|--------------------------------------|---|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--------|--|--|---|
| (City)  | (State) (Zi                          | p) Table I  | - Non-Dei       | rivative Secu                           | ırities                    | Acquir | ed, Disposed of,   | or Beneficiall   | y Owned   |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securitie on(A) or Disp (Instr. 3, 4 | oosed of<br>and 5)  (A) or | of (D) | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of<br>Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |
| Common units representing limited partner interests | 02/08/2012                           |   | Code V  C(2)    | Amount 500,000                          | (D)                        | Price  | 2,625,042  | D  |   |
| Common units representing limited                   | 02/08/2012                           |   | C(3)            | 500,000                                 | A                          | \$ 0   | 700,000  | I  | See footnote (4)  |

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#### interests

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

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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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transacti<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | Securities |         |                     |                    | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)      |                           |
|---|---|---|---|---------------------------------------|------------|---------|---------------------|--------------------|--|---------------------------|
|   |   |   |   | Code V                                | (A)        | (D)     | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title  | Amoun<br>Number<br>Shares |
| Blackstone<br>Holdings<br>partnership<br>units (1)  | (1)   | 02/08/2012                              |   | C(2)                                  |            | 500,000 | <u>(1)</u>          | <u>(1)</u>         | Common<br>units<br>representing<br>limited<br>partnership<br>units | 500,0                     |
| Blackstone<br>Holdings<br>partnership<br>units (1)  | <u>(1)</u>  |   |   |                                       |            |         | <u>(1)</u>          | <u>(1)</u>         | Common<br>units<br>representing<br>limited<br>partnership<br>units | 500,0                     |
| Blackstone<br>Holdings<br>partnership<br>units (1)  | (1)   |   |   |                                       |            |         | <u>(1)</u>          | <u>(1)</u>         | Common<br>units<br>representing<br>limited<br>partnership<br>units | 2,307                     |

# **Reporting Owners**

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |               |       |  |  |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------------|-------|--|--|
| · <b>F</b>   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer       | Other |  |  |
| HILL J TOMILSON<br>C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP<br>345 PARK AVENUE, 43RD FLOOR | X             |           | Vice Chairman |       |  |  |
| NEW YORK, NY 10154   |               |           |               |       |  |  |

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### **Signatures**

Robert L. Friedman, Attorney-in-Fact

02/10/2012

\*\*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 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, 2012 other than pursuant to transactions or programs approved by Blackstone.
- (2) Pursuant to an exchange agreement, the Reporting Person exchanged 500,000 Blackstone Holdings partnership units for an equal number of common units of The Blackstone Group L.P.
- (3) Pursuant to an exchange agreement, a trust for the benefit of the Reporting Person's children exchanged 500,000 Blackstone Holdings partnership units for an equal number of common units of The Blackstone Group L.P.
  - These Blackstone Holdings partnership units are held in trusts, for the benefit of the Reporting Person's children, of which the Reporting
- (4) Person is a trustee with investment power. The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the Blackstone Holdings partnership units held in these trusts.
- (5) 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.

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