Blackstone Group L.P. Form 8-K June 23, 2008

# **UNITED STATES**

# **SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 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): June 23, 2008

# THE BLACKSTONE GROUP L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware** (State or other jurisdiction 001-33551 (Commission File Number) 20-8875684 (IRS Employer

of incorporation)

Identification No.)

#### 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)

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#### Item 8.01 Other Events

The statement of financial condition of Blackstone Group Management L.L.C., the general partner of The Blackstone Group L.P., as of December 31, 2007, and the report of Deloitte & Touche LLP relating thereto, are filed as Exhibit 99 to this Form 8-K and are incorporated by reference herein.

## Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No.	Description
Exhibit 23	Consent of Deloitte & Touche LLP.

Exhibit 99 Statement of Financial Condition of Blackstone Group Management L.L.C.

#### 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.

## The Blackstone Group L.P.

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

By:/s/ Michael A. PuglisiName:Michael A. PuglisiTitle:Chief Financial Officer

Date: June 23, 2008