

Blackstone Group L.P.  
Form 8-K  
August 12, 2009

**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): August 12, 2009*

**The Blackstone Group L.P.**

*(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)*

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| <b>Delaware</b>   | <b>001-33551</b>                | <b>20-8875684</b>                               |
| <i>(State or other jurisdiction of<br/>incorporation)</i> | <i>(Commission File Number)</i> | <i>(I.R.S. Employer<br/>Identification No.)</i> |

**345 Park Avenue**

**10154**

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New York, New York

(Zip Code)

(Address of principal executive offices)

(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):

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On August 12, 2009, The Blackstone Group L.P. issued a press release announcing the intention of Blackstone Holdings Finance Co. L.L.C., an indirect subsidiary of The Blackstone Group L.P., to offer senior notes guaranteed by The Blackstone Group L.P., Blackstone Holdings I L.P., Blackstone Holdings II L.P., Blackstone Holdings III L.P. and Blackstone Holdings IV L.P.

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

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>  |
|--------------------|---|
| Exhibit 99.1       | Press release of The Blackstone Group L.P. dated August 12, 2009. |

**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: August 12, 2009

**The Blackstone Group L.P.**

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

By: /s/ Robert L. Friedman  
Name: Robert L. Friedman  
Title: Chief Legal Officer