

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*  
  
*of incorporation)*

**001-33551**  
*(Commission File Number)*

**20-8875684**  
*(IRS Employer*  
  
*Identification No.)*

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

**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**

| <b>Exhibit No.</b> | <b>Description</b>   |
|--------------------|--|
| 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

Date: June 23, 2008

By: /s/ Michael A. Puglisi  
Name: Michael A. Puglisi  
Title: Chief Financial Officer