

Blackstone Group L.P.
Form 8-K
March 04, 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): **March 3, 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

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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)

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 March 4, 2008, Blackstone issued a press release announcing the closing of its acquisition of GSO Capital Partners LP. A copy of the press release is filed as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

Exhibit No. Description

Exhibit 99.1 Press release, dated March 4, 2008.

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: March 4, 2008

By: /s/ Robert L. Friedman

Name: Robert L. Friedman

Title: Chief Legal Officer