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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** Finley John G		orting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Plackstone Group L. P. (PX)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	Blackstone Group L.P. [BX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP, 345 PARK AVENUE			(Month/Day/Year) 08/01/2017	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Legal Officer			
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State) (Zip	Table I	- Non-Deri	ivative Sec	urities Acqu	ired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securition(A) or Dis(D) (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed of 4 and 5) (A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common units representing limited partner interests	06/13/2017		G	20,000	D \$0	101,556	D	
Common units representing limited partner interests	06/13/2017		G	20,000	A \$0	100,000	I	See footnote (1)

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Common units representing limited partner interests	07/18/2017	G	13,704	D	\$ 0	87,852	D	
Common units representing limited partner interests	07/18/2017	G	13,704	A	\$ 0	113,704	I	See footnote (1)
Common units representing limited partner interests	08/01/2017	C(2)	20,000	A	\$ 0	107,852	D	

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	ion S 0 0 ()	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		vative Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) uired (A) risposed of ex. 3, 4,		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	⁷ ((A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Blackstone Holdings partnership units	(3)	08/01/2017		C(3)			20,000	(3)	(3)	Common units representing limited partner interests	20,000

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Finley John G

C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP 345 PARK AVENUE NEW YORK, NY 10154

Chief Legal Officer

Signatures

Tabea Y. Hsi as Attorney-In-Fact

08/03/2017

**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).
- (1) These units are held by a limited liability company, of which the Reporting Person is the manager.
- (2) Pursuant to an exchange agreement, the Reporting Person exchanged 20,000 Blackstone Holdings partnership units for an equal number of common units of The Blackstone Group L.P.

A "Blackstone Holdings partnership" unit collectively refers to one limited partner interest in each of Blackstone Holdings I L.P., Blackstone Holdings IV L.P. and Blackstone Holdings AI L.P. Subject to the minimum retained ownership requirements and transfer restrictions set forth in the partnership agreements of the Blackstone partnerships, the holder has the right, exercisable from time to time, to exchange each Blackstone Holdings partnership unit for one

partnerships, the holder has the right, exercisable from time to time, to exchange each Blackstone Holdings partnership unit for 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, 2017 other than pursuant to transactions or programs approved by Blackstone.

Remarks:

The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported on this form except to the extent of his pecunia. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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