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| (Print or Type R | esponses) | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Ad Tosi Laurenc | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | | | | |
| (Last) | (Last) (First) (Middle) Blackstone Group L.P. [BX] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | | | | - | (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| ~ / | | | (Month/Day/Year) | | | Director 10% Owner | | | | |
| C/O THE BLACKSTONE 07/01/2014 GROUP, 345 PARK AVENUE, 43RD FLOOR | | | | | | XOfficer (give titleOther (specify below) below) Chief Financial Officer | | | | |
| (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | | | al | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | | | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tab | ole I - Non- | Derivative | e Securities A | Acquired, Disposed | of, or Beneficia | lly Owned | l |
| | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | | Date, if | Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securi onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, Amount | l (A) or l of (D) | 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 Indirect Beneficia Ownershi (Instr. 4) | 1 |
| Reminder: Repo | ort on a separate line | e for each cla | uss of sec | urities bene | ficially ow | ned directly | or indirectly. | | | |
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| | Tab | | | | | sposed of, or convertible | • Beneficially Owner securities) | d | | |

| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of |
|-------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orDerivative | Expiration Date | Underlying Securities |

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| Security (Instr. 3) | or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | | any (Month/Day/Year) | Code (Instr. 8) | Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | (Month/Day, | /Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--|---------------------|--------------------|--|----------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount Number Shares |
| Blackstone Holdings partnership unit (1) | <u>(1)</u> | 07/01/2014 | | А | 31,071 (2) | <u>(1)</u> | <u>(1)</u> | Common units representing limited partnership interests | 31,071 |
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Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| Reporting of the Function of Functions | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| Tosi Laurence A C/O THE BLACKSTONE GROUP 345 PARK AVENUE, 43RD FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10154 | | | Chief Financial Officer | | | | | |
| Signatures | | | | | | | | |
| Tabea Y. Hsi as Attorney-In-Fact | 07/02/201 | 14 | | | | | | |

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).

A "Blackstone Holdings partnership" unit collectively refers to one limited partner interest in each of Blackstone Holdings I L.P., Blackstone Holdings II L.P., Blackstone Holdings III L.P., and Blackstone Holdings IV L.P. Subject to the minimum retained ownership

- (1) requirements and transfer restrictions set forth in the partnership agreements of the Blackstone partnerships, the Reporting Person has the rights, exercisable from time to time, to exchange each Blackstone Holdings partnership unit for one 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, 2014 other than pursuant to transactions or programs approved by Blackstone.
- (2) Granted under the 2007 Equity Incentive Plan, 20% of these deferred restricted Blackstone Holdings partnership units, or 6,214 units, will vest on July 1, 2017; an additional 30%, or 9,321 units, will vest on July 1, 2018; and the remaining 50%, or 15,536 units, will vest on July 1, 2019. As these deferred restricted Blackstone Holdings partnership units vest, the underlying Blackstone Holdings partnership units will be delivered to the Reporting Person, except that no more than 3/4 of the vested units will be delivered during the Reporting

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Person's service with Blackstone (with the remaining units to be delivered after the expiration of the Reporting Person's restrictive covenant period). Notwithstanding the foregoing, the units may be delivered earlier upon a change in control of Blackstone.

(3) These units are held in a trust for the benefit of the Reporting Person's children, of which the Reporting Person is a trustee with investment control.

Remarks:

The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities reported on this form except to the extent of his pecunia

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