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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities exchange Act of 1934

(AMENDMENT NO.4) \*

BLACKSTONE GROUP L P

(NAME OF ISSUER)

COM UNIT LTD

(TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES)

09253U108

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(CUSIP NUMBER)

September 30, 2010

(Date of event which requires filing of this Statement)

NOTE: A MAJORITY OF THE SHARES REPORTED IN THIS SCHEDULE 13G ARE HELD BY UNAFFILIATED THIRD-PARTY CLIENT ACCOUNTS MANAGED BY ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN L.P., AS INVESTMENT ADVISER. (ALLIANCEBERNSTEIN L.P. IS A MAJORITY -OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF AXA FINANCIAL, INC.)

this Schedule is filed:

X Rule 13d-1(b)
Rule 13d-1(c)
Rule 13d-1(d)

\* The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person?s initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be 'filed' for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ('Act') or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

(CONTINUED ON FOLLOWING PAGE(S))

			S	No. of Shares Subtotals		
The Mutuelles AXA, as a	group			0		
AXA				0		
AXA Entity or Entities						
Common acquir AXA Investment Manag AXA Investment Manag	gers Paris	for investme	ent	21,000 407,000		
AXA Financial, Inc.				0		
Subsidiaries:						
AllianceBernstein L.P. acquired solely for invepurposes on behalf of cldiscretionary investment accounts:	ient					
Common Stock			17,869,830			
AXA Equitable Life Insuracquired solely for inverpurposes:	-	ny		17,869,830		
Common Stock			164,567	164,567		
Total				18,462,397 =======		
Each of the Mutuelles Ax filing of this Schedule for purposes of Section securities covered by the Each of the above subsides the security of the security and relative to the security of the security	13G shall 13(d) of t ais Schedul diaries of	not be const he Exchange e 13G. AXA Financia	rued as an adm Act, the benef	lares that the ission that it is, icial owner of any		
management and makes inc	lependent d	ecisions.				
(b) Percent of Cl	ass:			7.3% =====		
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(CONT.)			ITEM 4. Owners	hip as of		
(c) Deemed Voting	g Power and	Disposition	n Power:			
	(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)		

Power	Deemed to have Sole Power	Deemed to have Shared Power	Deemed to have Sole Power	Deemed to have Shared
	or to Direct	to Vote or to Direct the Vote	to Dispose or to Direct the Disposition	or to
The Mutuelles AXA,	0	0	0	0
AXA Entity or Entities: AXA Investment Managers Paris (France)	21,000	0	21,000	0
AXA Investment Managers UK Ltd	407,000	0	407,000	0
AXA Financial, Inc.	0	0	0	0
Subsidiaries:				
AllianceBernstein	15,109,610	0	17,869,830	0
AXA Equitable Life Insurance	164,567	0	164,567	0
=	15,702,1		18,462,397 	0

Each of the above subsidiaries of AXA Financial, Inc. operates under independent management and makes independent voting and investment decisions.

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Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class:
 If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date
 hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner
of
 more than five percent of the class of securities, ( )

- Item 6. Ownership of More than Five Percent on behalf of Another Person. N/A

This Schedule 13G is being filed by AXA Financial, Inc.; AXA, which owns AXA Financial, Inc.; and the Mutuelles AXA, which as a group control AXA:

- (X) in the Mutuelles AXAs' capacity, as a group, acting as a parent holding company with respect to the holdings of the following AXA entity or entities:
- (X) in AXA's capacity as a parent holding company with respect to the holdings of the following AXA entity or entities:

AXA Investment Managers Paris (France)

AXA Investment Managers UK Ltd

- (X) in AXA Financial, Inc.'s capacity as a parent holding company
  - with respect to the holdings of the following subsidiaries:
  - (X) AllianceBernstein L.P. (13-3434400), an investment adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.
  - (X) AXA Equitable Life Insurance Company (13-5570651), an insurance company and an investment adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.

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- Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group.  $_{\rm N/A}$
- Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

N/A

Item 10. Certification:

By signing below I certify that to the best of  $my\ knowledge$  and

belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary

course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not

have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) +\left( 1\right$ 

of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as  $\ensuremath{\mathtt{a}}$ 

participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

Signature

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement Date: ,October 8, 2010 AXA FINANCIAL, INC.\*

/s/ Alvin H. Fenichel

Alvin H. Fenichel Senior Vice President and Controller

\*Pursuant to the Joint Filing Agreement with respect to Schedule 13G attached hereto as Exhibit I, among AXA Financial, Inc., AXA Assurances I.A.R.D Mutuelle, AXA Assurances Vie Mutuelle, and AXA, this statement Schedule 13G is filed on behalf of each of them.