### **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 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): January 31, 2019

The Blackstone Group L.P. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. □

001-33551 (Commission File Number)

20-8875684 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Emerging growth company  $\square$ 

345 Park Avenue New York, New York (Address of principal executive offices)

(212) 583-5000 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

NOT APPLICABLE (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check th	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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If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided

### Item 2.02 Results of Operations.

On January 31, 2019, The Blackstone Group L.P. issued a press release and detailed presentation announcing financial results for its fourth quarter and full year ended December 31, 2018.

The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. All information in the press release is furnished but not filed.

### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press release of The Blackstone Group L.P. dated January 31, 2019.

### 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.

Date: January 31, 2019

The Blackstone Group L.P.
By: Blackstone Group Management L.L.C.,
its General Partner

/s/ Michael S. Chae

By: Name: Title: Michael S. Chae Chief Financial Officer

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### Blackstone Reports Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2018 Results

New York, January 31, 2019: Blackstone (NYSE:BX) today reported its fourth quarter and full year 2018 results.

Stephen A. Schwarzman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, said, "Blackstone again delivered attractive investment performance for our limited partners in 2018, with nearly all of our flagship strategies handily beating their relevant indices despite significant market volatility. Inflows of more than \$100 billion last year coupled with positive performance drove assets under management to a record \$472 billion. And for our shareholders, we returned \$1 billion through distributions and buybacks for the second consecutive quarter, and \$3 billion for the full year."

Blackstone issued a full detailed presentation of its fourth quarter and full year 2018 results, which can be viewed at www.blackstone.com.

### Distribution

Blackstone has declared a quarterly distribution of \$0.58 per common unit to record holders of common units at the close of business on February 11, 2019. This distribution will be paid on February 19, 2019.

### **Quarterly Investor Call Details**

Blackstone will host a conference call on January 31, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. ET to discuss fourth quarter and full year 2018 results. The conference call can be accessed via the Shareholders section of Blackstone's website at <a href="https://www.blackstone.com">www.blackstone.com</a> or by dialing +1 (877) 391-6747 (U.S. domestic) or +1 (617) 597-9291 (international), pass code 149 943 55#. For those unable to listen to the live broadcast, a replay will be available on <a href="https://www.blackstone.com">www.blackstone.com</a> or by dialing +1 (888) 286-8010 (U.S. domestic) or +1 (617) 801-6888 (international), pass code 420 922 04#.

### **About Blackstone**

Blackstone is one of the world's leading investment firms. We seek to create positive economic impact and long-term value for our investors, the companies we invest in, and the communities in which we work. We do this by using extraordinary people and flexible capital to help companies solve problems. Our asset management businesses, with \$472 billion in assets under management, include investment vehicles focused on private equity, real estate, public debt and equity, non-investment grade credit, real assets and secondary funds, all on a global basis. Further information is available at <a href="https://www.blackstone.com">www.blackstone.com</a>. Follow Blackstone on Twitter <a href="mailto:@Blackstone">@Blackstone</a>.

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### Forward-Looking Statements

This release may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933 and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 which reflect Blackstone's current views with respect to, among other things, Blackstone's operations, financial performance and unit repurchase and distribution activities. You can identify these forward-looking statements by the use of words such as "outlook," "indicator," "believes," "expects," "potential," "continues," "may," "will," "should," "seeks," "approximately," "predicts," "intends," "plans," "estimates," "anticipates" or the negative version of these words or other comparable words. Such forward-looking statements are subject to various risks and uncertainties. Accordingly, there are or will be important factors that could cause actual outcomes or results to differ materially from those indicated in these statements. Blackstone believes these factors include but are not limited to those described under the section entitled "Risk Factors" in its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2017, as such factors may be updated from time to time in its periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, which are accessible on the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. These factors should not be construed as exhaustive and should be read in conjunction with the other cautionary statements that are included in this release and in the filings. Blackstone undertakes no obligation to publicly update or review any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise.

This release does not constitute an offer of any Blackstone Fund.

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# Blackstone's Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2018 Earnings

January 31, 2019



### Blackstone's Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2018 GAAP Results

▶ GAAP Net Loss was \$79 million for the quarter and GAAP Net Income was \$3.3 billion for the year. GAAP Net Loss Attributable to The Blackstone Group L.P. was \$11 million for the quarter and GAAP Net Income Attributable to The Blackstone Group L.P. was \$1.5 billion for the year.

		EV I	% Change			% Change
(Dollars in Thousands, Except per Unit Data) (Unaudited)	4Q'17	4Q'18	vs. 4Q'17	FY'17	FY'18	vs. FY'17
Revenues						
Management and Advisory Fees, Net	\$ 729,059	\$ 797,554	9%	\$ 2,751,322	\$ 3,027,796	10%
Incentive Fees	120,187	15,797	(87)%	242,514	57,540	(76)%
Investment Income (Loss)						
Performance Allocations						
Realized	1,422,262	511,388	(64)%	3,571,811	1,876,507	(47)%
Unrealized	(483,033)	(806,305)	67%	(105,473)	561,373	n/m
Principal Investments						
Realized	184,562	109,901	(40)%	635,769	415,862	(35)%
Unrealized	(20,567)	(218,165)	n/m	42,605	49,917	17%
Total Investment Income (Loss)	1,103,224	(403,181)	n/m	4,144,712	2,903,659	(30)%
Interest and Dividend Revenue	40,524	47,885	18%	139,696	171,947	23%
Other	(33,781)	46,923	n/m	(133,229)	672,317	n/m
Total Revenues	1,959,213	504,978	(74)%	7,145,015	6,833,259	(4)%
Expenses			` '			,,,
Compensation and Benefits						
Compensation	364,484	373,790	3%	1,442,485	1,609,957	12%
Incentive Fee Compensation	43,450	10,260	(76)%	105,279	33,916	(68)%
Performance Allocations Compensation			1			
Realized	557,244	212,174	(62)%	1,281,965	711,076	(45)%
Unrealized	(166,183)	(302,868)	82%	103,794	319,742	208%
Total Compensation and Benefits	798,995	293,356	(63)%	2,933,523	2,674,691	(9)%
General, Administrative and Other	138,608	153,519	11%	488,582	594,873	22%
Interest Expense	74,606	44,644	(40)%	197,486	163,990	(17)%
Fund Expenses	32,692	3,577	(89)%	132,787	78,486	(41)%
Total Expenses	1,044,901	495,096	(53)%	3,752,378	3,512,040	(6)%
Other Income (Loss)			, ,	., . ,		
Reduction of Tax Receivable Agreement Liability	403,855		(100)%	403,855		(100)%
Net Gains (Losses) from Fund Investment Activities	81,963	(59,234)	n/m	321,597	191,722	(40)%
Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes	\$ 1,400,130		n/m	\$ 4,118,089	\$ 3,512,941	(15)%
Provision for Taxes	596,590	29,366	(95)%	743,147	249,390	(66)%
Net Income (Loss)	\$ 803,540	\$ (78,718)	n/m	\$ 3.374.942	\$ 3,263,551	(3)%
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to Redeemable Non-Controlling Interests in Consolidated Entities	7,600	(4,303)	n/m	13,806	(2,104)	n/m
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to Non-Controlling Interests in Consolidated Entities	132,364	(68,800)	n/m	497,439	358,878	(28)%
Net Income Attributable to Non-Controlling Interests in Blackstone Holdings	359,438	5,253	(99)%	1,392,323	1,364,989	(2)%
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to The Blackstone Group L.P. ("BX")	\$ 304,138	\$ (10,868)	n/m	\$ 1,471,374	\$ 1,541,788	5%
Net Income (Loss) per Common Unit, Basic	\$ 0.45	\$ (0.02)	n/m	\$ 2.21	\$ 2.27	3%
Net Income (Loss) per Common Unit, Diluted	\$ 0.45	\$ (0.02)	n/m	\$ 2.21	\$ 2.26	2%
Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes Margin	71.5%	(9.8)%		57.6%	51.4%	

n/m = not meaningful. Effective January 1, 2018, Blackstone adopted new GAAP guidance regarding revenue recognition. All prior periods have been conformed to the new guidance. Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes Margin is calculated by dividing Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes by Total Revenues.

### Blackstone's Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2018 Highlights

### Financial Measures

- ► Fee Related Earnings ("FRE") of \$433 million (\$0.36/unit) in the quarter, up 23% year-over-year
  - FRE was \$1.5 billion for the year (\$1.21/unit), up 9% year-over-year
- ▶ Distributable Earnings ("DE") of \$722 million (\$0.57/unit) in the quarter, including \$331 million of Net Realizations
  - DE was \$2.7 billion for the year (\$2.17/unit)
- ▶ Net Accrued Performance Revenues receivable of \$3.5 billion (\$2.94/unit), up 5% year-over-year

### Capital Metrics

- Total Assets Under Management ("AUM") of \$472.2 billion, up 9% year-over-year
- Inflows of \$38.6 billion in the quarter and \$101.0 billion for the year
- Realizations of \$8.8 billion in the quarter and \$34.1 billion for the year
- Deployment of \$16.3 billion in the quarter and \$44.7 billion for the year

### Unitholder Distributions

- ▶ Distribution of \$0.58 per common unit payable on February 19, 2019, including the final special cash distribution of \$0.10 per unit
  - Distribution of \$2.15 per common unit for the year
- ▶ Repurchased 7.8 million common units in the quarter and 16.0 million common units in the year, a return of capital of \$542 million for the year
- ▶ DE units outstanding remained flat versus the fourth quarter of 2017

The changes in carrying value, fund returns and composite returns presented throughout this presentation represent those of the applicable Blackstone Funds and not those of The Blackstone Group L.P. See pages 30-31, Definitions and Distribution Policy, for definitions of terms used throughout this presentation.

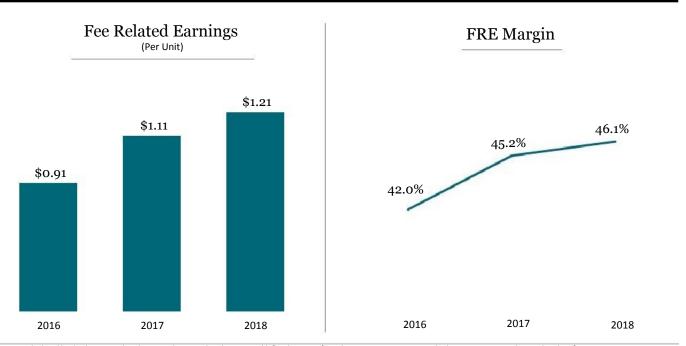
### Blackstone's Fourth Quarter and Full Year 2018 Segment Earnings

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(Dollars in Thousands, Except per Unit Data)		4Q'17		4Q'18	vs. 4Q'17		FY'17	FY'18	vs. FY'17
Management and Advisory Fees, Net	\$	732,392	\$	798,195	9%	\$	2,770,791	\$ 3,036,452	10%
Fee Related Performance Revenues		48,089		44,185	(8)%		169,445	123,836	(27)%
Fee Related Compensation		(312,033)		(279,284)	(10)%		(1,185,639)	(1,216,146)	3%
Other Operating Expenses		(115,949)		(130,025)	12%		(424,866)	(488,328)	15%
Fee Related Earnings	\$	352,499	\$	433,071	23%	\$	1,329,731	\$ 1,455,814	9%
FRE per Unit	\$	0.29	\$	0.36	24%	\$	1.11	\$ 1.21	9%
Realized Performance Revenues		1,496,798		483,697	(68)%		3,647,807	1,811,771	(50)%
Realized Performance Compensation		(573,299)		(199,645)	(65)%		(1,297,611)	(678,141)	(48)%
Realized Principal Investment Income		72,225		47,098	(35)%		436,194	236,058	(46)%
Net Realizations		995,724		331,150	(67)%		2,786,390	1,369,688	(51)%
Total Segment Distributable Earnings	\$	1,348,223	\$	764,221	(43)%	\$	4,116,121	\$ 2,825,502	(31)%
Net Interest Income (Loss)		(29,509)		11,923	n/m		(49,918)	21,925	n/m
Taxes and Related Payables		(79,568)		(54,063)	(32)%		(189,988)	(153,865)	(19)%
Distributable Earnings	\$	1,239,146	\$	722,081	(42)%	\$	3,876,215	\$ 2,693,562	(31)%
DE per Common Unit	\$	1.00	\$	0.57	(43)%	\$	3.17	\$ 2.17	(32)%
Total Segment Revenues	\$	2,349,504	\$	1,373,175	(42)%	\$	7,024,237	\$ 5,208,117	(26)%
Total Assets Under Management	\$	434,128,243	\$	472,242,317	9%	\$	434,128,243	\$ 472,242,317	9%
Fee-Earning Assets Under Management	\$	335,343,998	\$	342,527,507	2%	\$	335,343,998	\$ 342,527,507	2%

Total Segment Revenues represents Net Management and Advisory Fees, Fee Related Performance Revenues, Realized Performance Revenues and Realized Principal Investment Income. Fee Related Earnings per Unit is based on end of period DE Units Outstanding (see page 23, Unit Summary). DE per Common Unit is based on DE Attributable to Common Unitholders (see page 22, Unitholder Distribution) and end of period Participating Common Units outstanding. Full Year per Unit amounts represent the sum of the last four quarters. See pages 28-29 for the Reconciliation of GAAP to Total Segment Measures.

### **Fee Related Earnings**

- Fee Related Earnings of \$1.21 per unit up 9% year-over-year, a record amount, and up 33% since 2016.
- FRE margin increased from 45.2% to 46.1% year-over-year, and has increased more than 400 basis points since 2016.



FRE Margin is calculated by dividing Fee Related Earnings by Fee Related Revenues (defined as sum of Total Segment Management and Advisory Fees, Net and Fee Related Performance Revenues).

### **Investment Performance and Net Accrued Performance Revenues**

- Investment performance during the quarter was impacted by declines in public markets, but for the full year nearly all strategies outperformed relevant indices.
- ▶ Net Accrued Performance Revenues were \$3.5 billion (\$2.94/unit), up 5% year-over-year.
  - In the fourth quarter, Net Accrued Performance Revenues decreased \$198 million along with \$314 million of Net Realized Distributions.

#### **Investment Performance** (Appreciation / Gross Returns) 4Q'18 FY'18 **Real Estate Opportunistic Funds** 0.6% 9.8% Core+ 2.3% 10.7% **Private Equity** Corporate Private Equity (2.9)%19.1% **Tactical Opportunities** 0.3% 12.2% Strategic Partners 5.1% 18.6% **Hedge Fund Solutions BPS** Composite (2.3)% 2.0% Credit **Performing Credit** 8.8% (0.2)%Distressed (7.3)%(3.2)%



Investment Performance represents fund appreciation for Real Estate and Private Equity and gross returns for Hedge Fund Solutions and Credit. Appreciation for core+ funds excludes BREIT. BPS Composite net returns were (2.4)% and 1.2% for 4Q'18 and FY'18, respectively. Performing Credit net composite returns were (0.0)% and 5.9% for 4Q'18 and FY'18, respectively. Distressed net composite returns were (5.9)% and (3.4)% for 4Q'18 and FY'18, respectively. Net Realized Justice Net Performance Revenues balance.

### **Capital Metrics Activity**

- ▶ Inflows were \$38.6 billion in the quarter, bringing full year inflows to \$101.0 billion.
  - Notable inflows in the quarter include first closes of \$15.4 billion for the ninth global real estate opportunistic fund and \$3.4 billion for the eighth Strategic Partners secondaries fund.
- ▶ Realizations were \$8.8 billion in the quarter, bringing full year realizations to \$34.1 billion.
- ▶ Deployed \$16.3 billion and committed an additional \$3.8 billion during the quarter that is not yet deployed.

(Dollars in Millions)			Infl	.OW	/S	F	Realiz	ati	ons	(	Capital I	Deploy	ed
		4	1Q'18		FY'18	40	Q'18		FY'18		4Q'18	FY'18	3
	▶ Total Real Estate	\$	20,122	\$	31,478	\$	3,642	\$	14,675		\$ 5,729	\$ 18,7	26
De el Catata	Opportunistic		15,878		17,964		2,075		10,524		3,405	8,7	76
Real Estate	• Core+		2,476		8,252		891		1,962		1,689	7,7	86
	BREDS		1,768		5,262		676		2,189		635	2,1	.65
	► Total Private Equity		9,825		26,640		3,263		10,397		6,833	16,6	51
	<ul> <li>Corporate Private Equity</li> </ul>		1,283		5,686		1,921		5,843		3,349	7,3	76
Private Equity	<ul> <li>Tactical Opportunities</li> </ul>		983		7,010		645		2,108		1,554	3,1	.24
	<ul><li>Strategic Partners</li></ul>		4,297		5,299		697		2,446		1,922	5,3	81
	Other Private Equity		3,261		8,645		-		-		7	7	770
Hedge Fund Solutions	<b>▶</b> BAAM		2,640		13,278		219		472		575	1,7	02
Credit	► GSO/BIS/Harvest		6,053		29,579		1,658		8,517		3,212	7,6	36
Total Blackstone		\$	38,641	\$	100,976	\$	8,782	\$	34,061		\$ 16,350	\$ 44,7	15

Other Private Equity includes Core PE, Infrastructure, Life Sciences, and BTAS.

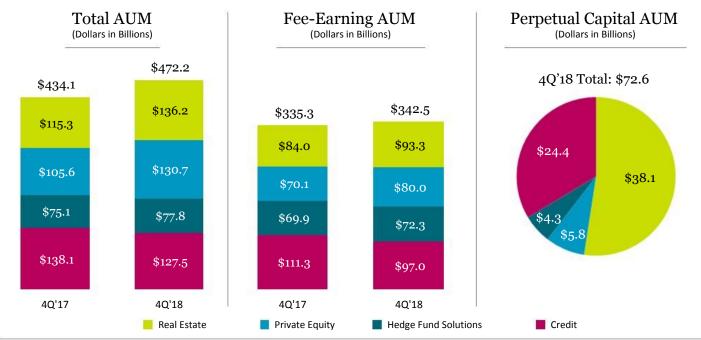
### **Summary of Financials by Segment**

▶ Performance across segments generated record Fee Related Earnings of \$1.5 billion and Segment Distributable Earnings of \$2.8 billion.



### **Assets Under Management**

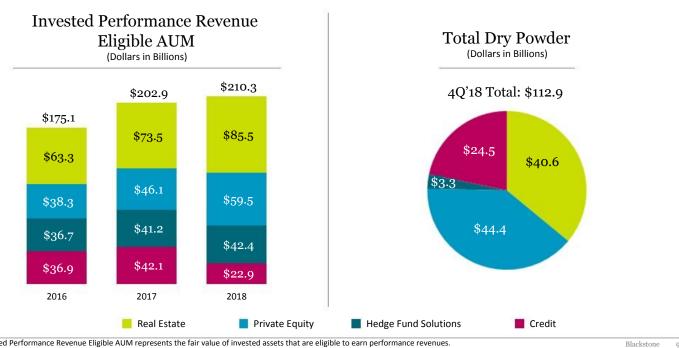
- Total AUM increased to \$472.2 billion, up 9% year-over-year, driven by \$101.0 billion of inflows despite \$34.1 billion of realizations during the year.
- ▶ Fee-Earning AUM of \$342.5 billion was up 2% year-over-year as \$71.0 billion of inflows outpaced \$62.4 billion of realizations and outflows.
- Perpetual Capital AUM reached \$72.6 billion, up 6% from the third quarter of 2018.



See page 30 for the definition of Perpetual Capital.

### **Additional Capital Detail**

- ▶ Invested Performance Revenue Eligible AUM reached \$210.3 billion at quarter end, up 4% year-over-year, and up 20% since 2016.
- Substantial undrawn capital ("Total Dry Powder") available for investment of \$112.9 billion, up 19% year-overyear despite significant deployment activity over the year.



Invested Performance Revenue Eligible AUM represents the fair value of invested assets that are eligible to earn performance revenues.

## Segment Highlights

### **Real Estate**

- ▶ **Total AUM:** Up 18% to a record \$136.2 billion with record inflows of \$20.1 billion in the quarter and \$31.5 billion for the year.
  - Inflows include \$15.4 billion first close for the ninth global real estate opportunistic fund, with an additional \$1.8 billion raised after the quarter, bringing total fund commitments to \$17.3 billion.
  - Core+ Total AUM up 30% year-over-year to \$35.2 billion, five years after launching the business.
- **Realizations:** \$3.6 billion in the quarter and \$14.7 billion in the year; realizations in the quarter included sales of U.S. multifamily assets and the Ferry Building (San Francisco) in Equity Office Properties.
- **Capital Deployed:** \$5.7 billion in the quarter and \$18.7 billion for the year, including privatizations of Gramercy U.S. industrial REIT and Testa Spanish multifamily REIT in opportunistic funds in the quarter.
  - Committed an additional \$1.7 billion during the quarter that is not yet deployed.
- ▶ **Appreciation:** Opportunistic funds and core+ funds up 0.6% and 2.3% in the quarter, and 9.8% and 10.7% for the year, respectively.

				% Change			% Change
(Dollars in Thousands)	4Q'17	-	4Q'18	vs. 4Q'17	FY'17	FY'18	vs. FY'17
Management Fees, Net	\$ 244,064	\$	317,269	30%	\$ 939,038	\$ 1,126,470	20%
Fee Related Performance Revenues	20,730		44,185	113%	79,500	124,502	57%
Fee Related Compensation	(114,822)		(109,695)	(4)%	(437,311)	(459,430)	5%
Other Operating Expenses	(38,543)		(41,030)	6%	(136,042)	(146,260)	8%
Fee Related Earnings	\$ 111,429	\$	210,729	89%	\$ 445,185	\$ 645,282	45%
Realized Performance Revenues	971,360		172,985	(82)%	2,141,374	914,984	(57)%
Realized Performance Compensation	(363,073)		(54,179)	(85)%	(751,526)	(284,319)	(62)%
Realized Principal Investment Income	34,276		11,439	(67)%	255,903	92,525	(64)%
Net Realizations	 642,563		130,245	(80)%	1,645,751	723,190	(56)%
Segment Distributable Earnings	\$ 753,992	\$	340,974	(55)%	\$ 2,090,936	\$ 1,368,472	(35)%
Segment Revenues	\$ 1,270,430	\$	545,878	(57)%	\$ 3,415,815	\$ 2,258,481	(34)%
Total AUM	\$ 115,340,363	\$	136,247,229	18%	\$ 115,340,363	\$ 136,247,229	18%
Fee-Earning AUM	\$ 83,984,824	\$	93,252,724	11%	\$ 83,984,824	\$ 93,252,724	11%

Appreciation for core+ funds excludes BREIT.

### **Private Equity**

- ▶ **Total AUM:** Up 24% to \$130.7 billion with inflows of \$9.8 billion in the quarter and \$26.6 billion for the year.
  - \$3.4 billion initial close for the eighth Strategic Partners secondaries fund in the quarter.
  - Completed the acquisition of Clarus, which added \$1.8 billion, and launched Blackstone Life Sciences.
- **Realizations:** \$3.3 billion in the quarter and \$10.4 billion for the year, including sales of Intelenet, Versace, and Crocs in the quarter.
- **Capital Deployed:** \$6.8 billion in the quarter and \$16.7 billion for the year, including Refinitiv and National Exhibition Centre in the quarter.
  - Committed an additional \$850 million during the quarter that is not yet deployed.
- ▶ **Appreciation:** Corporate Private Equity down 2.9% in the quarter driven by decreases in the public portfolio, but up 19.1% for the year.

			% Change			% Change
(Dollars in Thousands)	4Q'17	4Q'18	vs. 4Q'17	FY'17	FY'18	vs. FY'17
Management and Advisory Fees, Net	\$ 202,099	\$ 212,443	5%	\$ 764,435	\$ 829,884	9%
Fee Related Compensation	(90,683)	(86,089)	(5)%	(347,562)	(375,446)	8%
Other Operating Expenses	(32,478)	(29,244)	(10)%	(120,997)	(133,096)	10%
Fee Related Earnings	\$ 78,938	\$ 97,110	23%	\$ 295,876	\$ 321,342	9%
Realized Performance Revenues	274,421	252,100	(8)%	1,157,188	757,406	(35)%
Realized Performance Compensation	(111,832)	(110,209)	(1)%	(404,544)	(318,167)	(21)%
Realized Principal Investment Income	25,298	26,385	4%	154,837	109,731	(29)%
Net Realizations	187,887	168,276	(10)%	907,481	548,970	(40)%
Segment Distributable Earnings	\$ 266,825	\$ 265,386	(1)%	\$ 1,203,357	\$ 870,312	(28)%
Segment Revenues	\$ 501,818	\$ 490,928	(2)%	\$ 2,076,460	\$ 1,697,021	(18)%
Total AUM	\$ 105,560,576	\$ 130,665,286	24%	\$ 105,560,576	\$ 130,665,286	24%
Fee-Earning AUM	\$ 70,140,883	\$ 80,008,166	14%	\$ 70,140,883	\$ 80,008,166	14%

### **Hedge Fund Solutions**

- ▶ **Total AUM:** Up 4% to \$77.8 billion with inflows of \$2.6 billion in the quarter and record inflows of \$13.3 billion for the year.
  - · Increase primarily driven by continued platform diversification and growth in customized strategies and individual investor solutions.
  - January 1 subscriptions of \$1.1 billion are not yet included in Total AUM.
- Returns: BPS Composite gross return was down 2.3% in the quarter, outperforming relevant indices with MSCI All Country World Total Return Index down 12.7% and HFRX Global HF Return Index down 5.6%, demonstrating the ability to provide downside protection in difficult global markets.
  - Gross returns were up 2.0% for the year, outperforming global markets with less than a fifth of the volatility, with MSCI All Country World Total Return Index down 8.9% and HFRX Global HF Return Index down 6.7%.

				% Change				% Change
(Dollars in Thousands)		4Q'17	4Q'18	vs. 4Q'17	FY'17		FY'18	vs. FY'17
Management Fees, Net	\$	130,384	\$ 132,611	2%	\$ 518,935	\$	522,869	1%
Fee Related Compensation		(32,331)	(38,557)	19%	(146,924)		(162,172)	10%
Other Operating Expenses		(17,610)	(19,740)	12%	(68,265)		(77,77 <mark>2</mark> )	14%
Fee Related Earnings	\$	80,443	\$ 74,314	(8)%	\$ 303,746	\$	282,925	(7)%
Realized Performance Revenues		118,447	20,987	(82)%	154,343	1	42,419	(73)%
Realized Performance Compensation		(30,940)	(14,401)	(53)%	(40,707)		(21,792)	(46)%
Realized Principal Investment Income		8,165	6,609	(19)%	9,074		17,039	88%
Net Realizations	8	95,672	13,195	(86)%	122,710		37,666	(69)%
Segment Distributable Earnings	\$	176,115	\$ 87,509	(50)%	\$ 426,456	\$	320,591	(25)%
Segment Revenues	\$	256,996	\$ 160,207	(38)%	\$ 682,352	\$	582,327	(15)%
Total AUM	\$	75,090,834	\$ 77,814,516	4%	\$ 75,090,834	\$	77,814,516	4%
Fee-Earning AUM	\$	69,914,061	\$ 72,280,606	3%	\$ 69,914,061	\$	72,280,606	3%

### Credit

- ▶ **Total AUM:** \$127.5 billion at quarter end with inflows of \$6.1 billion in the quarter and inflows of \$29.6 billion for the year.
  - Closed \$1.8 billion for the direct lending platform in the quarter, totaling \$4.4 billion for the year.
  - Launched 3 CLOs (2 U.S. and 1 European) in the quarter for \$1.8 billion and 10 CLOs (7 U.S. and 3 European) in the year for a record \$6.4 billion.
  - Raised \$856 million for the second energy credit fund, resulting in \$2.4 billion for energy strategies in the year.
- **Realizations:** \$1.7 billion in the quarter and \$8.5 billion for the year.
- **Capital Deployed:** Investment pace was strong with \$3.2 billion in the quarter and \$7.6 billion for the year.
- ▶ **Returns:** Composite gross returns down 0.2% for Performing Credit and down 7.3% for Distressed Strategies for the quarter driven by certain public positions, energy market conditions, and turbulence more broadly in the credit market, and up 8.8% and down 3.2% for the year, respectively.

				% Change				% Change
(Dollars in Thousands)		4Q'17	4Q'18	vs. 4Q'17	_	FY'17	FY'18	vs. FY'17
Management Fees, Net	\$	155,845	\$ 135,872	(13)%	\$	548,383	\$ 557,229	2%
Fee Related Performance Revenues		27,359	-	(100)%		89,945	(66 <mark>6</mark> )	n/m
Fee Related Compensation		(74,197)	(44,943)	(39)%		(253,842)	(219,098)	(14)%
Other Operating Expenses		(27,318)	(40,011)	46%		(99,562)	(131,200)	32%
Fee Related Earnings	\$	81,689	\$ 50,918	(38)%	\$	284,924	\$ 206,265	(28)%
Realized Performance Revenues		132,570	37,625	(72)%		194,902	96,962	(50)%
Realized Performance Compensation		(67,454)	(20,856)	(69)%		(100,834)	(53,863)	(47)%
Realized Principal Investment Income		4,486	2,665	(41)%		16,380	16,763	2%
Net Realizations	33	69,602	19,434	(72)%		110,448	59,862	(46)%
Segment Distributable Earnings	\$	151,291	\$ 70,352	(53)%	\$	395,372	\$ 266,127	(33)%
Segment Revenues	\$	320,260	\$ 176,162	(45)%	\$	849,610	\$ 670,288	(21)%
Total AUM	\$	138,136,470	\$ 127,515,286	(8)%	\$	138,136,470	\$ 127,515,286	(8)%
Fee-Earning AUM	\$	111,304,230	\$ 96,986,011	(13)%	\$	111,304,230	\$ 96,986,011	(13)%

Performing Credit includes mezzanine lending funds, middle market direct lending funds and other performing credit strategy funds. Distressed Strategies include credit alpha strategies, stressed / Blackstr distressed funds and energy strategies. The composite gross returns represent a weighted-average composite of the fee-earning funds exceeding \$100 million of fair value at each respective quarter end for each strategy. Composite gross returns exclude the Blackstone Funds that were contributed to GSO as part of Blackstone for GSO in March 2008. Performing Credit net composite returns were (0.6)% and 5.9% for 4Q'18 and FY'18. Distressed Strategies' net composite returns were (5.9)% and (3.4)% for 4Q'18 and FY'18.

## Supplemental Details

### **Total Segments**

(Dollars in Thousands)		4Q'17	1Q'18	2Q'18	3Q'18		4Q'18	FY'17	FY'18
Management and Advisory Fees, Net						24			2
Base Management Fees	\$	696,163	\$ 707,156	\$ 692,915	\$ 721,606	\$	722,648	\$ 2,680,391	\$ 2,844,325
Transaction, Advisory and Other Fees, Net		45,407	37,066	40,912	73,944		77,576	156,816	229,498
Management Fee Offsets		(9,178)	(8,178)	(10,833)	(16,331)		(2,029)	(66,416)	(37,371)
Total Management and Advisory Fees, Net		732,392	736,044	722,994	779,219		798,195	2,770,791	3,036,452
Fee Related Performance Revenues		48,089	3,837	45,515	30,299		44,185	169,445	123,836
Fee Related Compensation		(312,033)	(296,074)	(306,243)	(334,545)		(279,284)	(1,185,639)	(1,216,146)
Other Operating Expenses		(115,949)	(107,092)	(122,466)	(128,745)		(130,025)	(424,866)	(488,328)
Fee Related Earnings	\$	352,499	\$ 336,715	\$ 339,800	\$ 346,228	\$	433,071	\$ 1,329,731	\$ 1,455,814
Realized Performance Revenues		1,496,798	278,371	477,544	572,159		483,697	3,647,807	1,811,771
Realized Performance Compensation		(573,299)	(114,829)	(172,894)	(190,773)		(199,645)	(1,297,611)	(678,141)
Realized Principal Investment Income		72,225	28,693	94,647	65,620		47,098	436,194	236,058
Total Net Realizations		995,724	192,235	399,297	447,006		331,150	2,786,390	1,369,688
Total Segment Distributable Earnings	\$	1,348,223	\$ 528,950	\$ 739,097	\$ 793,234	\$	764,221	\$ 4,116,121	\$ 2,825,502
Net Interest Income (Loss)		(29,509)	(1,853)	2,842	9,013		11,923	(49,918)	21,925
Taxes and Related Payables		(79,568)	(25,042)	(41,797)	(32,963)		(54,063)	(189,988)	(153,865)
Distributable Earnings	\$	1,239,146	\$ 502,055	\$ 700,142	\$ 769,284	\$	722,081	\$ 3,876,215	\$ 2,693,562
Total Segment Revenues	\$	2,349,504	\$ 1,046,945	\$ 1,340,700	\$ 1,447,297	\$	1,373,175	\$ 7,024,237	\$ 5,208,117
Total Assets Under Management	\$ 4	434,128,243	\$ 449,613,826	\$ 439,386,656	\$ 456,691,832	\$ 4	72,242,317	\$ 434,128,243	\$ 472,242,317
Fee-Earning Assets Under Management	\$ :	335,343,998	\$ 344,650,797	\$ 332,978,145	\$ 342,261,123	\$ 3	42,527,507	\$ 335,343,998	\$ 342,527,507
Weighted Average Fee-Earning AUM	\$ :	311,353,064	\$ 343,211,044	\$ 328,594,512	\$ 340,994,284	\$ 3	43,514,196	\$ 289,116,993	\$ 338,819,012
LP Capital Invested	\$	18,663,837	\$ 9,323,329	\$ 8,026,698	\$ 9,358,423	\$ :	14,218,797	\$ 46,216,413	\$ 40,927,247
Total Capital Invested	\$	19,529,797	\$ 10,119,519	\$ 8,351,772	\$ 9,894,470	\$ :	16,349,738	\$ 50,678,463	\$ 44,715,499

### **Assets Under Management**

### 4Q'18 Total AUM Rollforward

(Dollars in Millions)

	Real Estate	Private Equity	dge Fund olutions	Credit	Total
3Q'18	\$ 119,942	\$ 126,184	\$ 80,005	\$ 130,560	\$ 456,692
Inflows	20,122	9,825	2,640	6,053	38,641
Outflows	(277)	(491)	(3,115)	(2,778)	(6,661)
Realizations	(3,642)	(3,263)	(219)	(1,658)	(8,782)
Net Inflows (Outflows)	16,203	6,071	(693)	1,617	23,198
Market Activity	102	(1,590)	(1,497)	(4,662)	(7,647)
4Q'18	\$ 136,247	\$ 130,665	\$ 77,815	\$ 127,515	\$ 472,242
QoQ Increase (Decrease	) 14%	4%	(3)%	(2)%	3%

### FY'18 Total AUM Rollforward

(Dollars in Millions)

		10	33	9	
	Real Estate	Private Equity	Hedge Fund Solutions	Credit	Total
4Q'17	\$ 115,340	\$ 105,561	\$ 75,091	\$ 138,136	\$ 434,128
Inflows	31,478	26,640	13,278	29,579	100,976
Outflows	(2,163)	(1,618)	(10,780)	(28,058)	(42,618)
Realizations	(14,675)	(10,397)	(472)	(8,517)	(34,061)
Net Inflows (Outflows)	14,640	14,626	2,026	(6,996)	24,297
Market Activity	6,266	10,479	697	(3,625)	13,817
4Q'18	\$ 136,247	\$ 130,665	\$ 77,815	\$ 127,515	\$ 472,242
YoY Increase (Decrease)	18%	24%	4%	(8)%	9%

## 4Q'18 Fee-Earning AUM Rollforward (Dollars in Millions)

		Real Estate	Private Equity	dge Fund olutions	Credit	Total
3Q'18	\$	90,773	\$ 78,195	\$ 74,559	\$ 98,735	\$ 342,261
Inflows		4,853	3,421	2,877	5,869	17,020
Outflows		(200)	(323)	(3,538)	(2,500)	(6,560)
Realizations		(2,492)	(1,408)	(207)	(1,022)	(5,129)
Net Inflows (Outflows)		2,162	1,690	(867)	2,347	5,331
Market Activity		318	123	(1,411)	(4,095)	(5,065)
4Q'18	\$	93,253	\$ 80,008	\$ 72,281	\$ 96,986	\$ 342,528
QoQ Increase (Decrease	)	3%	2%	(3)%	(2)%	0%

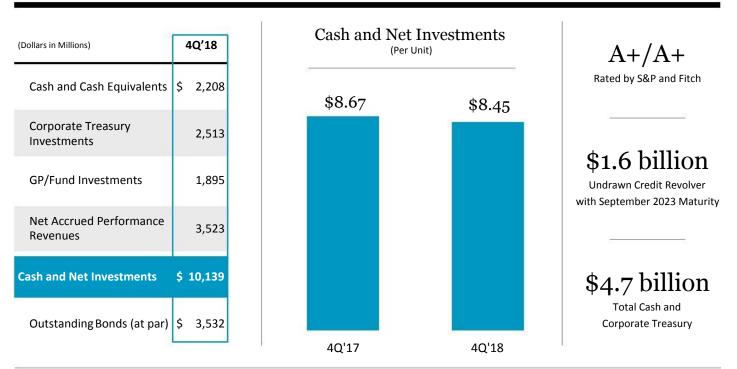
## FY'18 Fee-Earning AUM Rollforward (Dollars in Millions)

	Real Estate	Private Equity	dge Fund olutions	Credit	Total
4Q'17	\$ 83,985	\$ 70,141	\$ 69,914	\$ 111,304	\$ 335,344
Inflows	17,961	16,097	12,354	24,588	71,000
Outflows	(2,000)	(1,888)	(10,278)	(27,641)	(41,808)
Realizations	(8,781)	(4,730)	(430)	(6,673)	(20,613)
Net Inflows (Outflows)	7,180	9,478	1,646	(9,725)	8,579
Market Activity	2,088	389	720	(4,593)	(1,395)
4Q'18	\$ 93,253	\$ 80,008	\$ 72,281	\$ 96,986	\$ 342,528
YoY Increase (Decrease)	11%	14%	3%	(13)%	2%

Inflows include contributions, capital raised, other increases in available capital, purchases, multi-asset product allocations to other strategies and acquisitions. Outflows represent redemptions, client withdrawals and other decreases in available capital. Realizations represent realizations from the disposition of assets. Market Activity represents gains (losses) on portfolio investments and impact of foreign exchange rate fluctuations.

### **Deconsolidated Balance Sheet Highlights**

- At December 31, 2018, Blackstone had \$4.7 billion in total cash, cash equivalents, and corporate treasury investments and \$10.1 billion of cash and net investments, or \$8.45 per unit.
- Blackstone has no net debt, a \$1.6 billion undrawn credit revolver and maintains A+/A+ ratings.



Balance Sheet Highlights are preliminary, and exclude the consolidated Blackstone Funds. GP/Fund Investments include Blackstone investments in Real Estate, Private Equity, Hedge Fund Solutions, and Credit, which were \$802 million, \$695 million, \$102 million, and \$295 million, respectively, as of December 31, 2018. Cash and Net Investments per unit amounts are calculated using period end DE Units Outstanding (see page 23,

### **Net Accrued Performance Revenues**

				Net Ac	cru	ed Perfo	rmar	ice Rev	enu	es		
	B						4	Q'18		QoQ	,	YoY
(Dollars in Millions, Except per Unit Data)	4	IQ'17	3	3Q'18		4Q'18	Per	Unit	Cl	hange	Ch	ange
Real Estate												
BREP IV	\$	9	\$	12	\$	3	\$	-	\$	(9)	\$	(6)
BREP V		203		91		55		0.05		(36)		(148)
BREP VI		190		106		89		0.07		(17)		(101)
BREP VII		587		592		484		0.40		(108)		(103)
BREP VIII		255		386		429		0.36		43		174
BREP Europe III		67		1		-		-		(1)		(67)
BREP Europe IV		207		201		200		0.17		(1)		(7)
BREP Europe V		25		86		110		0.09		24		85
BREP Asia I		102		103		114		0.10		11		12
BPP		134		207		215		0.18		8		81
BREIT		10		18		23		0.02		5		13
BREDS		35		21		17		0.01		(4)		(18)
BTAS		16		29		36		0.03		7		20
Total Real Estate	\$	1,840	\$	1,853	\$	1,775	\$	1.48	\$	(78)	\$	(65)
Private Equity												
BCP IV		87		111		72		0.06		(39)		(15)
BCP V		73		44		-		-		(44)		(73)
BCP VI		668		1,008		746		0.62		(262)		78
BCP VII		16		166		225		0.19		59		209
BEP I		95		155		103		0.09		(52)		8
BEP II		5		66		73		0.06		7		68
Tactical Opportunities		104		161		155		0.13		(6)		51
Strategic Partners		66		95		94		0.08		(1)		28
ВСЕР		-		11		19		0.02		8		19
BTAS		13		32		41		0.03		9		28
Other		3		- 1		1		-		1		(2)
Total Private Equity	\$	1,130	\$	1,849	\$	1,529	\$	1.28	\$	(320)	\$	399
Total Hedge Fund Solutions	\$	89	\$	32	\$	24	\$	0.02	\$	(8)	\$	(65)
Total Credit	\$	289	\$	301	\$	195	\$	0.16	\$	(106)	\$	(94)
Net Accrued Performance Revenues	\$	3,348	\$	4,035	\$	3,523	\$	2.94	\$	(512)	\$	175
Memo: Net Realized Performance Revenues	\$	222	\$	109	\$	68	\$	0.06	\$	(41)	\$	(154)

## 4Q'18 QoQ Rollforward (Dollars in Millions)

	3Q'18	Net Performance Revenues	Net Realized Distributions	4Q'18
Real Estate	\$ 1,853	\$ 35	\$ (113)	\$ 1,775
Private Equity	1,849	(137)	(183)	1,529
HFS	32	(7)	(1)	24
Credit	301	(89)	(17)	195
Total	\$ 4,035	\$ (198)	\$ (314)	\$ 3,523
QoQ Decrease				(13)%

### FY'18 Rollforward

(Dollars in Millions)

	4Q'17	Perf	Net ormance venues	 Realized ributions	4Q'18
Real Estate	\$ 1,840	\$	613	\$ (678)	\$ 1,775
Private Equity	1,130		808	(409)	1,529
HFS	89		17	(82)	24
Credit	289		(6)	(88)	195
Total	\$ 3,348	\$	1,432	\$ (1,257)	\$ 3,523
YoY Increase					5%

Net Accrued Performance Revenues are presented net of performance compensation and do not include clawback amounts, if any, which are disclosed in the 10-K/Q. Net Realized Performance Revenues are included in DE. Net Realized Performance Revenues above represent Performance Revenues realized, but not yet distributed as of the reporting date and included in the Net Accrued Performance Revenues balance. When these fees are received, the receivable is reduced without further impacting DE. Per Unit calculations are based on end of period DE Units Outstanding (see page 23, Unit Summary).

### Investment Records as of December 31, 2018<sup>(a)</sup>

(Dollars in Thousands, Except Where Noted)		Committed	Available		Unrealized	Investments	5		Realized Inves	stments		Total Investr	nents	Net IRI	Rs (d)
Fund (Investment Period Beginning Date / Ending Date)		Capital	Capital (b)	2%	Value	MOIC (c) %	Public		Value	MOIC (c)	35	Value	MOIC (c)	Realized	Total
Real Estate															
Pre-BREP	\$	140,714	\$ -	\$	-	n/a	-	\$	345,190	2.5x	\$	345,190	2.5x	33%	33%
BREP I (Sep 1994 / Oct 1996)		380,708	-		-	n/a	-		1,327,708	2.8x		1,327,708	2.8x	40%	40%
BREP II (Oct 1996 / Mar 1999)		1,198,339	-		-	n/a	-		2,531,614	2.1x		2,531,614	2.1x	19%	19%
BREP III (Apr 1999 / Apr 2003)		1,522,708	-		-	n/a	-		3,330,406	2.4x		3,330,406	2.4x	21%	21%
BREP IV (Apr 2003 / Dec 2005)		2,198,694	-		212,309	0.3x	21%		4,290,218	2.2x		4,502,527	1.6x	33%	12%
BREP V (Dec 2005 / Feb 2007)		5,539,418	-		542,613	1.4x	31%		12,697,555	2.4x		13,240,168	2.3x	12%	11%
BREP VI (Feb 2007 / Aug 2011)		11,060,444	-		1,215,191	1.6x	2%		26,334,443	2.6x		27,549,634	2.5x	14%	13%
BREP VII (Aug 2011 / Apr 2015)		13,495,496	2,001,683		10,154,856	1.6x	18%		18,332,067	2.1x		28,486,923	1.9x	27%	16%
BREP VIII (Apr 2015 / Oct 2020)		16,457,804	5,762,268		14,427,542	1.4x	1%		4,740,239	1.5x		19,167,781	1.4x	27%	16%
BREP IX (TBD)		15,445,659	15,445,659		-	n/a	-		-	n/a		-	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total Global BREP	\$	67,439,984	\$ 23,209,610	\$	26,552,511	1.4x	-	\$	73,929,440	2.3x	\$	100,481,951	2.0x	19%	16%
BREP Int'l (Jan 2001 / Sep 2005)	€	824,172	€ -	€	-	n/a	-	€	1,366,553	2.1x	€	1,366,553	2.1x	23%	23%
BREP Int'l II (Sep 2005 / Jun 2008) (e)		1,629,748	-		106,396	1.1x	-		2,347,656	1.8x		2,454,052	1.8x	8%	8%
BREP Europe III (Jun 2008 / Sep 2013)		3,205,167	464,566		660,005	0.9x	-		5,494,293	2.5x		6,154,298	2.1x	21%	15%
BREP Europe IV (Sep 2013 / Dec 2016)		6,709,145	1,340,701		4,358,327	1.6x	12%		7,147,829	2.0x		11,506,156	1.8x	25%	17%
BREP Europe V (Dec 2016 / Jun 2022)		7,877,201	3,224,734		5,662,031	1.3x	-		77,038	2.4x		5,739,069	1.3x	n/m	18%
Total Euro BREP	€	20,245,433	€ 5,030,001	€	10,786,759	1.3x	5%	€	16,433,369	2.1x	€	27,220,128	1.7x	16%	14%
BREP Asia I (Jun 2013 / Dec 2017)	\$	5,096,359	\$ 1,729,439	\$	4,128,651	1.4x	-	\$	2,989,011	1.8x	\$	7,117,662	1.5x	21%	15%
BREP Asia II (Dec 2017 / Jun 2023)		7,126,830	6,415,884		880,798	1.0x	-			n/a		880,798	1.0x	n/m	n/m
BREP Co-Investment (f)		7,055,644	172,062		2,124,456	1.6x	41%		11,834,696	2.1x		13,959,152	2.0x	16%	15%
Total BREP	\$	111,511,210	\$ 37,294,898	\$	46,355,732	1.4x	8%	\$	109,719,753	2.2x	\$	156,075,485	1.9x	18%	15%
BPP (g)	\$	26,569,578	\$ 2,964,457	\$	28,054,480	1.2x	-	\$	3,602,356	2.6x	\$	31,656,836	1.2x	n/m	11%
BREDS	\$	13,228,639	\$ 3,582,239	\$	3,739,330	1.1x	-	\$	10,333,439	1.3x	\$	14,072,769	1.2x	11%	10%
Private Equity															
BCP I (Oct 1987 / Oct 1993)	\$	859,081	\$ -	\$	-	n/a	-	\$	1,741,738	2.6x	\$	1,741,738	2.6x	19%	19%
BCP II (Oct 1993 / Aug 1997)		1,361,100	-		-	n/a	-		3,256,819	2.5x		3,256,819	2.5x	32%	32%
BCP III (Aug 1997 / Nov 2002)		3,967,422	-		-	n/a	-		9,184,688	2.3x		9,184,688	2.3x	14%	14%
BCOM (Jun 2000 / Jun 2006)		2,137,330	24,575		17,244	1.4x	-		2,953,649	1.4x		2,970,893	1.4x	7%	6%
BCP IV (Nov 2002 / Dec 2005)		6,773,182	205,984		610,391	0.7x	33%		20,861,706	3.1x		21,472,097	2.8x	41%	36%
BCP V (Dec 2005 / Jan 2011)		21,022,215	1,048,362		1,748,350	0.9x	33%		36,298,422	2.0x		38,046,772	1.9x	9%	8%
BCP VI (Jan 2011 / May 2016)		15,191,118	1,756,975		14,645,713	1.7x	31%		11,915,798	2.1x		26,561,511	1.9x	21%	13%
BEP I (Aug 2011 / Feb 2015)		2,435,285	224,784		2,364,512	1.5x	41%		1,954,527	2.3x		4,319,039	1.8x	26%	13%
BEP II (Feb 2015 / Feb 2021)		4,929,718	1,203,693		4,215,603	1.4x	-		210,362	2.0x		4,425,965	1.4x	40%	15%
BCP VII (May 2016 / May 2022)		18,590,630	8,252,225		10,446,740	1.4x	-		434,736	1.3x		10,881,476	1.4x	21%	21%
BCP Asia (Dec 2017 / Dec 2023)		2,369,469	2,040,455		165,694	1.5x	-		-	n/a		165,694	1.5x	n/a	n/m
BEP III (TBD)		3,515,891	3,515,891		-	n/a	-		-	n/a		-	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total Corporate Private Equity	\$	83,152,441	\$ 18,272,944	\$	34,214,247	1.4x	18%	\$	88,812,445	2.2x	\$	123,026,692	1.9x	17%	15%
Tactical Opportunities		22,053,992	10,234,751		9,559,311	1.3x	9%		6,342,454	1.7x		15,901,765	1.4x	21%	11%
Tactical Opportunities Co-Investment and Other		5,426,066	1,603,582		3,853,442	1.2x	1%		1,310,719	1.6x		5,164,161	1.3x	28%	14%
Total Tactical Opportunities	\$	27,480,058	\$ 11,838,333	\$	13,412,753	1.2x	7%	\$	7,653,173	1.7x	\$	21,065,926	1.4x	22%	11%

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### Investment Records as of December 31, 2018<sup>(a)</sup> - Continued

(Dollars in Thousands, Except Where Noted)	(	Committed		Available	400	Unrealized	Investment	ts		0.9	Realized Invest	ments	400	Total Investm	ents	Net IR	Rs (d)
Fund (Investment Period Beginning Date / Ending Date)		Capital	-	Capital (b)		Value	MOIC (c)	% P	ublic		Value	MOIC (c)		Value	MOIC (c)	Realized	Total
Private Equity (continued)																	
Strategic Partners I-V and Co-Investment (h)		11,913,121		1,800,737		1,742,846	n/n	n	-		15,970,061	n/m		17,712,907	1.5x	n/a	13%
Strategic Partners VI LBO, RE and SMA (h)		7,402,171		1,943,044		3,016,474	n/n	n	-		3,407,157	n/m		6,423,631	1.5x	n/a	19%
Strategic Partners VII (h)		8,221,982		3,227,165		5,948,522	n/n	n	-		730,088	n/m		6,678,610	1.3x	n/a	37%
Strategic Partners RA II (h)		1,898,154		1,036,103		451,971	n/n	n	-		36,438	n/m		488,409	1.2x	n/a	17%
Strategic Partners VIII		3,422,804		3,422,804		-	n/a	а	-		-	n/a		-	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total Strategic Partners	\$	32,858,232	\$	11,429,853	\$	11,159,813	n/m	1		\$	20,143,744	n/m	\$	31,303,557	1.5x	n/a	14%
BCEP (Jan 2017 / Jan 2021) (i)		4,755,613		2,601,681		2,505,183	1.2	х	-		-	n/a		2,505,183	1.2x	n/a	10%
BIP (TBD)		5,686,000		5,686,000		-	n/	a	-		-	n/a		-	n/a	n/a	n/a
Other Funds and Co-Investment (j)		1,557,393		325,028		96,990	1.0	х	17%		635,564	0.9x		732,554	1.0x	n/m	n/m
Hedge Fund Solutions																	
BSCH (Dec 2013 / Jun 2020) (k)	\$	3,298,575	\$	2,083,559	\$	1,308,188	1.1	х	-	\$	312,539	n/a	\$	1,620,727	1.3x	n/a	8%
BSCH Co-Investment		276,000		98,070		195,414	1.1	х	-		28,573	n/a		223,987	1.3x	n/a	9%
Total Hedge Fund Solutions	\$	3,574,575	\$	2,181,629	\$	1,503,602	1.1	х		\$	341,112	n/a	\$	1,844,714	1.3x	n/a	9%
Credit (I)																	
Mezzanine I (Jul 2007 / Oct 2011)	\$	2,000,000	\$	97,114	\$	25,716	1.3	х	-	\$	4,772,118	1.6x	\$	4,797,834	1.6x	n/a	17%
Mezzanine II (Nov 2011 / Nov 2016)		4,120,000		1,146,274		2,034,118	1.0	x	-		4,526,585	1.6x		6,560,703	1.3x	n/a	12%
Mezzanine III (Sep 2016 / Sep 2021)		6,639,133		2,589,498		3,573,397	1.1	х	-		1,003,295	1.6x		4,576,692	1.1x	n/a	11%
Stressed / Distressed Investing I (Sep 2009 / May 2013)		3,253,143		135,000		228,105	0.4	х	-		5,732,348	1.6x		5,960,453	1.4x	n/a	11%
Stressed / Distressed Investing II (Jun 2013 / Jun 2018)		5,125,000		570,214		2,119,618	0.9	х	-		3,597,716	1.4x		5,717,334	1.2x	n/a	8%
Stressed / Distressed Investing III (Dec 2017/ Dec 2022)		7,356,380		6,007,292		1,356,095	1.0	х	-		302,613	1.3x		1,658,708	1.1x	n/a	n/a
Energy Select Opportunities (Nov 2015 / Nov 2018)		2,856,867		943,281		1,968,152	1.1	х	-		544,630	1.7x		2,512,782	1.2x	n/a	13%
Euro																	
European Senior Debt Fund (Feb 2015 / Feb 2019)	€	1,964,689	€	1,503,470	€	2,045,708	1.0	x	-	€	842,857	1.6x	€	2,888,565	1.1x	n/a	9%
Total Credit	\$	33,616,933	\$	13,207,440	\$	13,643,752	1.0	х	-	\$	21,445,271	1.5x	\$	35,089,023	1.3x	n/a	12%

The returns presented herein represent those of the applicable Blackstone Funds and not those of The Blackstone Group L.P.

- n/a Not applicable.
- (a) Preliminary.
- (b) Available Capital represents total investable capital commitments, including side-by-side, adjusted for certain expenses and expired or recallable capital and may include leverage, less invested capital. This amount is not reduced by outstanding commitments to investments.
- (c) Multiple of Invested Capital ("MOIC") represents carrying value, before management fees, expenses and Performance Revenues, divided by invested capital.
- (d) Net Internal Rate of Return ("IRR") represents the annualized inception to December 31, 2018 IRR on total invested capital based on realized proceeds and unrealized value, as applicable, after management fees, expenses and Performance Revenues.
- The 8% Realized Net IRR and 8% Total Net IRR exclude investors that opted out of the Hilton investment opportunity. Overall BREP International II performance reflects a 7% Realized Net IRR (e) and a 6% Total Net IRR.
- BREP Co-Investment represents co-investment capital raised for various BREP investments. The Net IRR reflected is calculated by aggregating each co-investment's realized proceeds and (f) unrealized value, as applicable, after management fees, expenses and Performance Revenues.
- BPP represents the core+ real estate funds which invest with a more modest risk profile and lower leverage. Excludes BREIT.
- Realizations are treated as return of capital until fully recovered and therefore unrealized and realized MOICs are not meaningful.
- BCEP, or Blackstone Core Equity Partners, is a core private equity fund which invests with a more modest risk profile and longer hold period.
- Returns for Other Funds and Co-Investment are not meaningful as these funds have limited transaction activity.
- (g) (h) (i) (j) (k) (l)
- BSCH, or Blackstone Strategic Capital Holdings, is focused on acquiring strategic minority positions in alternative asset managers.
  Funds presented represent the flagship credit drawdown funds only. The Total Credit Net IRR is the combined IRR of the eight credit drawdown funds presented.

### **Unitholder Distribution**

- ► Generated \$0.57 of Distributable Earnings per common unit during the quarter, bringing the full year amount to \$2.17 per common unit.
- ▶ Blackstone declared a quarterly distribution of \$0.58 per common unit, which includes a \$0.10 special cash distribution, to record holders as of February 11, 2019; payable on February 19, 2019.

								% Change	_				% Change
(Dollars in Thousands, Except per Unit Data)		4Q'17	1Q'18	2Q'18	3Q'18		4Q'18	vs. 4Q'17		FY'17	Γ	FY'18	vs. FY'17
Distributable Earnings	\$	1,239,146	\$ 502,055	\$ 700,142	\$ 769,284	\$	722,081	(42)%	\$3	,876,215	\$	2,693,562	(31)%
Add: Other Payables Attributable to Common Unitholders	_	52,216	7,028	29,379	22,980		43,345	(17)%		98,104		102,732	5%
DE before Certain Payables		1,291,362	509,083	729,521	792,264		765,426	(41)%	3	,974,319		2,796,294	(30)%
Percent to Common Unitholders		56%	56%	57%	56%		56%			56%		56%	
DE before Certain Payables Attributable to Common Unitholders		720,124	285,633	414,071	447,516		429,433	(40)%	2	,208,092		1,576,653	(29)%
Less: Other Payables Attributable to Common Unitholders		(52,216)	(7,028)	(29,379)	(22,980)		(43,345)	(17)%		(98,104)		(102,732)	5%
DE Attributable to Common Unitholders		667,908	278,605	384,692	424,536		386,088	(42)%	2	,109,988		1,473,921	(30)%
DE per Common Unit	\$	1.00	\$ 0.41	\$ 0.56	\$ 0.63	\$	0.57	(43)%	\$	3.17	\$	2.17	(32)%
Less: Retained Capital per Common Unit	\$	(0.15)	\$ (0.06)	\$ (0.08)	\$ (0.09)	\$	(0.09)	(40)%	\$	(0.47)	\$	(0.32)	(32)%
Special Cash Distribution per Common Unit	\$	-	\$ -	\$ 0.10	\$ 0.10	\$	0.10	n/m	\$	-	\$	0.30	n/m
Actual Distribution per Common Unit	\$	0.85	\$ 0.35	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.64	\$	0.58	(32)%	\$	2.70	\$	2.15	(20)%
Record Date						F	eb 11, 2019						
Payable Date						F	eb 19, 2019						

A detailed description of Blackstone's distribution policy and the definition of Distributable Earnings can be found on pages 30-31, Definitions and Distribution Policy. DE before Certain Payables represents Distributable Earnings before the deduction for the Payable Under Tax Receivable Agreement and tax expense (benefit) of wholly-owned subsidiaries. Per Unit calculations are based on end of period Participating Common Units (page 23, Unit Summary); actual distributions are paid to unitholders as of the applicable record date. Retained capital is withheld pro-rata from common and Blackstone Holdings Partnership unitholders. Common unitholders' share was \$61 million for 4Q'18 and \$217 million for FY'18.

### **Unit Summary**

- ▶ Blackstone repurchased 7.8 million common units in the quarter, resulting in Distributable Earnings Units Outstanding of 1,199 million units.
  - Over the full year, Blackstone repurchased 16.0 common million units and DE units outstanding remained at the same level as the fourth quarter of 2017.
  - Available authorization remaining was \$458 million at December 31, 2018.

<u></u>	4Q'17	1Q'18	2Q'18	3Q'18	4Q'18
Participating Common Units	668,733,356	676,168,743	682,801,258	678,771,864	672,755,818
Participating Partnership Units	530,472,212	528,967,264	520,175,306	522,898,542	526,370,654
Distributable Earnings Units Outstanding	1,199,205,568	1,205,136,007	1,202,976,564	1,201,670,406	1,199,126,472

Common Unitholders receive tax benefits from deductions taken by Blackstone's corporate tax paying subsidiaries and bear responsibility for the deduction from Distributable Earnings of Blackstone 23 the Payable Under Tax Receivable Agreement and certain other tax-related payables. Participating Common Units and Participating Partnership Units include both issued and outstanding units and unvested units that participate in distributions.

## **Reconciliations and Disclosures**

### **Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Measures**

(Dollars in Thousands)		4Q'17		1Q'18		2Q'18		3Q'18		4Q'18	FY'17	FY'18
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to The Blackstone Group L.P.	\$	304,138	\$	367,872	\$	742,042	\$	442,742	\$	(10,868)	\$ 1,471,374	\$ 1,541,788
Net Income Attributable to Non-Controlling Interests in Blackstone Holdings		359,438		320,208		678,952		360,576		5,253	1,392,323	1,364,989
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to Non-Controlling Interests in Consolidated												
Entities		132,364		155,499		129,078		143,101		(68,800)	497,439	358,878
Net Income (Loss) Attributable to Redeemable Non-Controlling Interests in Consolidated Entities		7,600		(1,275)		905		2,569		(4,303)	13,806	(2,104)
Net Income (Loss)	Ś	,	ς.			L,550,977	ς.		Ś		\$ 3,374,942	\$ 3,263,551
Provision for Taxes	Ý	596,590	Ť	54,495	,	138,731	Ť	26,798		29,366	743,147	249,390
Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes	Ś	1,400,130	Ś		<b>Ś</b> 1	L,689,708	Ś	975,786	Ś		\$ 4,118,089	\$ 3,512,941
Transaction-Related Charges (a)	Ť	(347,055)		52,489		(470,078)		79,242	Ī	76,431	(176,531)	(261,916)
Amortization of Intangibles (b)		14,265		14,873		14,873		14,856		15,392	48,297	59,994
Impact of Consolidation (c)		(139,964)		(154,224)		(129,983)		(145,670)		73,103	(511,245)	(356,774)
Unrealized Performance Revenues (d)		484,486		(628,339)		(440,424)		(298,931)		806,531	105,432	(561,163)
Unrealized Performance Allocations Compensation (e)		(166,183)		254,435		189,991		178,184		(302,868)	103,794	319,742
Unrealized Principal Investment (Income) Loss (f)		16,488		(13,978)		(52,126)		(28,704)		160,659	131,206	65,851
Other Revenues (g)		35,151		60,894		(94,416)		(9,092)		(46,854)	140,051	(89,468)
Equity-Based Compensation (h)		21,396		44,148		34,394		36,576		43,102	107,110	158,220
Taxes and Related Payables (i)		(79,568)		(25,042)		(41,797)		(32,963)		(54,063)	(189,988)	(153,865)
Distributable Earnings	\$	1,239,146	\$	502,055	\$	700,142	\$	769,284	\$	722,081	\$ 3,876,215	\$ 2,693,562
Taxes and Related Payables (i)		79,568		25,042		41,797		32,963		54,063	189,988	153,865
Net Interest (Income) Loss (j)		29,509		1,853		(2,842)		(9,013)		(11,923)	49,918	(21,925)
Total Segment Distributable Earnings	\$	1,348,223	\$	528,950	\$	739,097	\$	793,234	\$	764,221	\$ 4,116,121	\$ 2,825,502
Realized Performance Revenues (k)		(1,496,798)		(278,371)		(477,544)		(572,159)		(483,697)	(3,647,807)	(1,811,771)
Realized Performance Compensation (I)		573,299		114,829		172,894		190,773		199,645	1,297,611	678,141
Realized Principal Investment Income (m)		(72,225)		(28,693)		(94,647)		(65,620)		(47,098)	(436,194)	(236,058)
Fee Related Earnings	\$	352,499	\$	336,715	\$	339,800	\$	346,228	\$	433,071	\$ 1,329,731	\$ 1,455,814
Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation												
Distributable Earnings	\$	1,239,146	\$	502,055	\$	700,142	\$	769,284	\$	722,081	\$ 3,876,215	\$ 2,693,562
Interest Expense (n)		72,345		38,238		38,885		40,923		41,792	192,838	159,838
Taxes and Related Payables (i)		79,568		25,042		41,797		32,963		54,063	189,988	153,865
Depreciation and Amortization		6,593		6,251		5,986		5,681		5,964	25,228	23,882
Adjusted EBITDA	\$	1,397,652	\$	571,586	\$	786,810	\$	848,851	\$	823,900	\$ 4,284,269	\$ 3,031,147
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### Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Measures - Notes

Note: See pages 30-31, Definitions and Distribution Policy.

- (a) This adjustment removes Transaction-Related Charges, which are excluded from Blackstone's segment presentation. Transaction-Related Charges arise from corporate actions including acquisitions, divestitures, and Blackstone's initial public offering. They consist primarily of equity-based compensation charges, gains and losses on contingent consideration arrangements, changes in the balance of the tax receivable agreement resulting from a change in tax law or similar event, transaction costs and any gains or losses associated with these corporate actions.
- (b) This adjustment removes the amortization of transaction-related intangibles, which are excluded from Blackstone's segment presentation. This amount includes amortization of intangibles associated with Blackstone's investment in Pátria, which is accounted for under the equity method.
- (c) This adjustment reverses the effect of consolidating Blackstone Funds, which are excluded from Blackstone's segment presentation. This adjustment includes the elimination of Blackstone's interest in these funds, the increase to revenue representing the reimbursement of certain expenses by Blackstone Funds, which are presented gross under GAAP but netted against Other Operating Expenses in the segment presentation, and the removal of amounts associated with the ownership of Blackstone consolidated operating partnerships held by non-controlling interests.
- (d) This adjustment removes Unrealized Performance Revenues on a segment basis. The Segment Adjustment represents the add back of performance revenues earned from consolidated Blackstone Funds which have been eliminated in consolidation.

	4Q'17	1Q'18	2Q'18	3Q'18	4Q'18	FY'17	FY'18
GAAP Unrealized Performance Allocations	\$ (483,033)	\$628,089	\$440,351	\$299,238	\$ (806,305)	\$ (105,473)	\$561,373
Segment Adjustment	(1,453)	250	73	(307)	(226)	41	(210)
Unrealized Performance Revenues	\$ (484,486)	\$628,339	\$ 440,424	\$298,931	\$ (806,531)	\$ (105,432)	\$561,163

- (e) This adjustment removes Unrealized Performance Allocations Compensation.
- (f) This adjustment removes Unrealized Principal Investment Income (Loss) on a segment basis. The Segment Adjustment represents (1) the add back of Principal Investment Income, including general partner income, earned from consolidated Blackstone Funds which have been eliminated in consolidation, and (2) the removal of amounts associated with the ownership of Blackstone consolidated operating partnerships held by non-controlling interests.

v <del>-</del>	4Q'17	1Q'18	2Q'18	3Q'18	4Q'18	FY'17	FY'18
GAAP Unrealized Principal Investment Income (Loss)	\$ (20,567)	\$111,774	\$103,468	\$ 52,840	\$ (218,165)	\$ 42,605	\$ 49,917
Segment Adjustment	4,079	(97,796)	(51,342)	(24,136)	57,506	(173,811)	(115,768)
Unrealized Principal Investment Income (Loss)	\$ (16,488)	\$ 13,978	\$ 52,126	\$ 28,704	\$ (160,659)	\$ (131,206)	\$ (65,851)

(g) This adjustment removes Other Revenues on a segment basis. The Segment Adjustment represents (1) the add back of Other Revenues earned from consolidated Blackstone Funds which have been eliminated in consolidation, and (2) the removal of certain Transaction-Related Charges. For the year ended December 31, 2018, Transaction-Related Charges included \$580.9 million of Other Revenues received upon the conclusion of Blackstone's investment sub-advisory relationship with FS Investments' funds.

	4Q'17	1Q'18	2Q'18	3	3Q'18	4Q'18	FY'17	FY'18
GAAP Other Revenue	\$ (33,781)	\$ (59,317)	\$675,343	\$	9,368	\$ 46,923	\$ (133,229)	\$672,317
Segment Adjustment	(1,370)	(1,577)	(580,927)		(276)	(69)	(6,822)	(582,849)
Other Revenues	\$ (35,151)	\$ (60,894)	\$ 94,416	\$	9,092	\$ 46,854	\$ (140,051)	\$ 89,468

(h) This adjustment removes Equity-Based Compensation on a segment basis.

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### Reconciliation of GAAP to Non-GAAP Measures - Notes Continued

(i) Taxes represent the total GAAP tax provision adjusted to include only the current tax provision (benefit) calculated on Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes and adjusted to exclude the tax impact of any divestitures. Related Payables represent tax-related payables including the amount payable under the Tax Receivable Agreement.

1/2	4Q'17	1Q'18	2Q'18	3Q'18	4Q'18	FY'17	FY'18
Taxes	\$ 36,000	\$ 18,228	\$ 20,026	\$ 12,793	\$ 38,975	\$ 101,531	\$ 90,022
Related Payables	43,562	6,814	21,771	20,170	15,088	88,457	63,843
Taxes and Related Payables	\$ 79,568	\$ 25,042	\$ 41,797	\$ 32,963	\$ 54,063	\$ 189,988	\$ 153,865

(j) This adjustment removes Interest and Dividend Revenue less Interest Expense on a segment basis. The Segment Adjustment represents (1) the add back of Other Revenues earned from consolidated Blackstone Funds which have been eliminated in consolidation, and (2) the removal of interest expense associated with the Tax Receivable Agreement.

3		4Q'17	1Q'18		2Q'18	3Q'18	4Q'18		FY'17	FY'18
GAAP Interest and Dividend Revenue	\$	40,524	\$ 35,38	5 \$	40,073	\$ 48,604	\$ 47,885	\$	139,696	\$171,947
Segment Adjustment	90	2,312	1,00	0	1,654	1,332	5,830	27	3,224	9,816
Interest and Dividend Revenue	\$	42,836	\$ 36,38	5 \$	41,727	\$ 49,936	\$ 53,715	\$	142,920	\$181,763
GAAP Interest Expense	\$	74,606	\$ 38,67	1 \$	39,320	\$ 41,355	\$ 44,644	\$	197,486	\$163,990
Segment Adjustment		(2,261)	(43	3)	(435)	(432)	(2,852)		(4,648)	(4,152)
Interest Expense	\$	72,345	\$ 38,23	8 \$	38,885	\$ 40,923	\$ 41,792	\$	192,838	\$159,838
Net Interest Income (Loss)	\$	(29,509)	\$ (1,85	3) \$	2,842	\$ 9,013	\$ 11,923	\$	(49,918)	\$ 21,925

- (k) This adjustment removes the total segment amounts of Realized Performance Revenues.
- (I) This adjustment removes the total segment amounts of Realized Performance Compensation.
- (m) This adjustment removes the total segment amount of Realized Principal Investment Income.
- (n) This adjustment adds back Interest Expense on a segment basis.

### Reconciliation of GAAP Common Units Outstanding to Distributable Earnings Units Outstanding

	4Q'17	1Q'18	2Q'18	3Q'18	4Q'18
GAAP Common Units Outstanding	659,526,093	666,812,752	673,544,082	669,411,215	663,212,830
Unvested Participating Common Units	9,207,263	9,355,991	9,257,176	9,360,649	9,542,988
Participating Common Units	668,733,356	676,168,743	682,801,258	678,771,864	672,755,818
Participating Partnership Units	530,472,212	528,967,264	520,175,306	522,898,542	526,370,654
Distributable Earnings Units Outstanding	1,199,205,568	1,205,136,007	1,202,976,564	1,201,670,406	1,199,126,472

### Disclosure of Weighted-Average Units Outstanding

	4Q'17	1Q'18	2Q'18	3Q'18	4Q'18
Total GAAP Weighted-Average Common Units Outstanding - Basic	668,781,321	674,479,140	681,794,492	682,435,177	676,629,572
Weighted-Average Unvested Deferred Restricted Common Units	702,960	198,934	216,118	230,759	-
Weighted-Average Blackstone Holdings Partnership Units		535,895,780	-	523,212,047	-
Total GAAP Weighted-Average Units Outstanding - Diluted	669,484,281	1,210,573,854	682,010,610	1,205,877,983	676,629,572

### **Reconciliation of GAAP to Total Segment Measures**

(Dollars in Thousands)		4Q'17	1Q'18	2Q'18	3Q'18	4Q'18	FY'17	FY'18
Management and Advisory Fees, Net							Ų,	
GAAP	\$	729,059 \$	728,849 \$	721,384 \$	780,009	797,554	\$ 2,751,322 \$	3,027,796
Segment Adjustment (a)		3,333	7,195	1,610	(790)	641	19,469	8,656
Total Segment	\$	732,392 \$	736,044 \$	722,994 \$	779,219	798,195	\$ 2,770,791 \$	3,036,452
GAAP Realized Performance Revenues to Total Segment Fee Related Perform	nance Rev	enuec						
GAAP	nance nev	reliues						
Realized Incentive Fees		120,187	12,566	19,378	9,799	15,797	242,514	57,540
Investment Income - Realized Performance Allocations		1,422,262	269,640	503,376	592,103	511,388	3,571,811	1,876,507
GAAP	\$	1,542,449 \$	282,206 \$	522,754 \$	601,902		\$ 3,814,325 \$	1,934,047
Total Segment							1	
Less: Realized Performance Revenues		(1,496,798)	(278,371)	(477,544)	(572,159)	(483,697)	(3,647,807)	(1,811,771
Segment Adjustment (b)		2,438	2	305	556	697	2,927	1,560
Total Segment	\$	48,089 \$	3,837 \$	45,515 \$	30,299	44,185	\$ 169,445 \$	123,836
GAAP Compensation to Total Segment Fee Related Compensation								
GAAP								
Compensation		364,484	389,403	427,479	419,285	373,790	1,442,485	1,609,957
Realized Incentive Fees Compensation		43,450	6,662	9,743	7,251	10,260	105,279	33,916
Realized Performance Allocations Compensation		557,244	112,062	186,398	200,442	212,174	1,281,965	711,076
GAAP	\$	965,178 \$	508,127 \$	623,620 \$	626,978	596,224	\$ 2,829,729 \$	2,354,949
Total Segment								
Less: Realized Performance Compensation		(573,299)	(114,829)	(172,894)	(190,773)	(199,645)	(1,297,611)	(678,141
Less: Equity-Based Compensation		(21,396)	(44,148)	(34,394)	(36,576)	(43,102)	(107,110)	(158,220
Segment Adjustment (c)		(58,450)	(53,076)	(110,089)	(65,084)	(74,193)	(239,369)	(302,442
Total Segment	\$	312,033 \$	296,074 \$	306,243 \$	334,545	279,284	\$ 1,185,639 \$	1,216,146
GAAP General, Administrative and Other to Total Segment Other Operating	Evnoncos				- 4			
GAAP GAAP	Ś	138,608 \$	126,713 \$	145,828 \$	168,813	153,519	\$ 488,582 \$	594,873
Segment Adjustment (d)	<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>	(22,659)	(19,621)	(23,362)	(40,068)	(23,494)	(63,716)	(106,545
Total Segment	\$	115,949 \$	107,092 \$	122,466 \$	128,745		\$ 424,866 \$	488,328
Realized Performance Revenues								
GAAP		400 400	40.500	40.000	0.700	45.505	242.544	
Realized Incentive Fees		120,187	12,566	19,378	9,799	15,797	242,514	57,540
Investment Income - Realized Performance Allocations		1,422,262	269,640	503,376	592,103	511,388	3,571,811	1,876,507
GAAP	\$	1,542,449 \$	282,206 \$	522,754 \$	601,902	527,185	\$ 3,814,325 \$	1,934,047
Total Segment		(40,000)	(2.027)	(45.545)	(20.202)	(44.40=)	(450.447)	(422.025
Less: Fee Related Performance Revenues		(48,089)	(3,837)	(45,515)	(30,299)	(44,185)	(169,445)	(123,836
Segment Adjustment (b)	Ś	2,438	2 270 274 6	305	556	697	2,927 \$ 3,647,807 \$	1,560
Total Segment	\$	1,496,798 \$	278,371 \$	477,544 \$	572,159	483,697	\$ 3,647,807 \$	1,811,771
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### Reconciliation of GAAP to Total Segment Measures - Continued

(Dollars in Thousands)	4Q'17		1Q'18	2Q'18	3Q'18	4Q'18	FY'17		FY'18
Realized Performance Compensation									
GAAP									
Realized Incentive Fee Compensation	\$	43,450 \$	6,662 \$	9,743 \$	7,251	\$ 10,260	Ś	105,279 \$	33,916
Realized Performance Allocations Compensation	·	557,244	112,062	186,398	200,442	212,174	1	,281,965	711,076
GAAP	\$	600,694 \$	118,724 \$	196,141 \$	207,693	\$ 222,434		,387,244 \$	744,992
Total Segment									
Less: Fee Related Performance Compensation		(23,176)	5	(20,336)	(13,858)	(19,655)		(75,933)	(53,844)
Less: Equity-Based Compensation - Performance Compensation		(4,219)	(3,900)	(2,911)	(3,062)	(3,134)		(13,700)	(13,007)
Total Segment	\$	573,299 \$	114,829 \$	172,894 \$	190,773	\$ 199,645	\$ 1	,297,611 \$	678,141
Realized Principal Investment Income						1			
GAAP	\$	184,562 \$	42,145 \$	129,197 \$	134,619	\$ 109,901	\$	635,769 \$	415,862
Segment Adjustment (e)		(112,337)	(13,452)	(34,550)	(68,999)	(62,803)	Š.	(199,575)	(179,804)
Total Segment	\$	72,225 \$	28,693 \$	94,647 \$	65,620	\$ 47,098	\$	436,194 \$	236,058
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GAAP Interest and Dividend Revenue net of Interest Expense to Total Segr	nent Net Inte	erest Income							
GAAP									
Interest and Dividend Revenue		40,524	35,385	40,073	48,604	47,885		139,696	171,947
Interest Expense		(74,606)	(38,671)	(39,320)	(41,355)	(44,644)		(197,486)	(163,990)
GAAP	\$	(34,082) \$	(3,286) \$	753 \$	7,249	\$ 3,241	\$	(57,790) \$	7,957
Segment Adjustment (f)		4,573	1,433	2,089	1,764	8,682		7,872	13,968
Total Segment	\$	(29,509) \$	(1,853) \$	2,842 \$	9,013	\$ 11,923	\$	(49,918) \$	21,925

This analysis reconciles the components of Total Segment Distributable Earnings (page 3) to their equivalent GAAP measures, reported on the Consolidated Statement of Operations (page 1). Segment basis presents revenues and expenses on a basis that deconsolidates the investment funds Blackstone manages and excludes the amortization of intangibles, the expense of equity-based awards and Transaction-Related Charges.

- (a) Represents (1) the add back of net management fees earned from consolidated Blackstone Funds which have been eliminated in consolidation, and (2) the removal of revenue from the reimbursement of certain expenses by the Blackstone Funds, which are presented gross under GAAP but netted against Other Operating Expenses in the Total Segment measures.
- (b) Represents the add back of Performance Revenues earned from consolidated Blackstone Funds which have been eliminated in consolidation.
- (c) Represents the removal of Transaction-Related Charges that are not recorded in the Total Segment measures.
- (d) Represents the removal of (1) the amortization of transaction-related intangibles, and (2) certain expenses reimbursed by the Blackstone Funds, which are presented gross under GAAP but netted against Other Operating Expenses in the Total Segment measures.
- (e) Represents (1) the add back of Principal Investment Income, including general partner income, earned from consolidated Blackstone Funds which have been eliminated in consolidation, and (2) the removal of amounts associated with the ownership of Blackstone consolidated operating partnerships held by non-controlling interests.
- (f) Represents (1) the add back of Other Revenues earned from consolidated Blackstone Funds which have been eliminated in consolidation, and (2) the removal of interest expense associated with the Tax Receivable Agreement.

### **Definitions and Distribution Policy**

Blackstone discloses the following operating metrics and financial measures that are calculated and presented on the basis of methodologies other than in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America ("non-GAAP") in this presentation:

- <u>Segment Distributable Earnings</u>, or "<u>SegmentDE</u>", is Blackstone's segment profitability measure used to make operating decisions and assess performance across Blackstone's four segments. Segment DE represents the net realized earnings of Blackstone's segments and is the sum of Fee Related Earnings and Net Realizations for each segment. Blackstone's segments are presented on a basis that deconsolidates Blackstone Funds, eliminates non-controlling ownership interests in Blackstone's consolidated Operating Partnerships, removes the amortization of intangible assets and removes Transaction-Related Charges. Segment DE excludes unrealized activity and is derived from and reconciled to, but not equivalent to, its most directly comparable GAAP measure of Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes.
- o <u>Net Realizations</u> is presented on a segment basis and is the sum of Realized Principal Investment Income and Realized Performance Revenues (which refers to Realized Performance Revenues excluding Fee Related Performance Revenues), less Realized Performance Compensation (which refers to Realized Performance Compensation excluding Fee Related Performance Compensation and Equity-Based Performance Compensation).
- <u>Distributable Earnings</u>, or "<u>DE</u>", is derived from Blackstone's segment reported results, and is used to assess performance and amounts available for distributions to Blackstone unitholders, including Blackstone personnel and others who are limited partners of the Blackstone Holdings Partnerships. DE is the sum of Segment DE plus Net Interest Income (Loss) less Taxes and Related Payables. DE excludes unrealized activity and is derived from and reconciled to, but not equivalent to, its most directly comparable GAAP measure of Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes.
  - <u>Net Interest Income (Loss)</u> is presented on a segment basis and is equal to Interest and Dividend Revenue less Interest Expense, adjusted for the impact of
    consolidation of Blackstone Funds, and interest expense associated with the Tax Receivable Agreement.
- o <u>Taxes and Related Payables</u> represent the total GAAP tax provision adjusted to include only the current tax provision (benefit) calculated on Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes excluding the tax impact of any divestitures and including the Payable under the Tax Receivable Agreement.
- <u>Fee Related Earnings</u>, or <u>"FRE"</u> is a performance measure used to assess Blackstone's ability to generate profits from revenues that are measured and received on a recurring basis and not subject to future realization events. FRE equals management and advisory fees (net of management fee reductions and offsets) plus Fee Related Performance Revenues, less (a) Fee Related Compensation on a segment basis, and (b) Other Operating Expenses. FRE is derived from and reconciled to, but not equivalent to, its most directly comparable GAAP measure of Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes.
  - o <u>Fee Related Compensation</u> is presented on a segment basis and refers to the compensation expense, excluding Equity-Based Compensation, directly related to Management and Advisory Fees, Net and Fee Related Performance Revenues.
  - <u>Fee Related Performance Revenues</u> refers to the realized portion of Performance Revenues from Perpetual Capital that are (a) measured and received on a recurring basis, and (b) not dependent on realization events from the underlying investments.
  - o <u>Fee Related Performance Compensation</u> is included in Fee Related Compensation on a segment basis and refers to compensation expense directly related to Fee Related Performance Revenues.
- Perpetual Capital refers to the component of assets under management with an indefinite term, that is not in liquidation, and for which there is no requirement to return capital to investors through redemption requests in the ordinary course of business, except where funded by new capital inflows. Includes co-investment capital with an investor right to convert into Perpetual Capital.

### **Definitions and Distribution Policy - Continued**

- Adjusted Earnings Before Interest, Taxes and Depreciation and Amortization, or "AdjustedEBITDA", is a supplemental measure used to assess performance derived from Blackstone's segment results and may be used to assess its ability to service its borrowings. Adjusted EBITDA represents Distributable Earnings plus the addition of (a) Interest Expense on a segment basis, (b) Taxes and Related Payables, and (c) Depreciation and Amortization. Adjusted EBITDA is derived from and reconciled to, but not equivalent to, its most directly comparable GAAP measure of Income (Loss) Before Provision for Taxes.
- Performance Revenues collectively refers to: (a) Incentive Fees, and (b) Performance Allocations.
- Performance Compensation collectively refers to: (a) Incentive Fee Compensation, and (b) Performance Allocations Compensation.
- <u>Transaction-Related Charges</u> arise from corporate actions including acquisitions, divestitures, and Blackstone's initial public offering. They consist primarily of equity-based compensation charges, gains and losses on contingent consideration arrangements, changes in the balance of the tax receivable agreement resulting from a change in tax law or similar event, transaction costs and any gains or losses associated with these corporate actions.

Distribution Policy. Blackstone's intention is to distribute quarterly to common unitholders approximately 85% of The Blackstone Group L.P.'s share of Distributable Earnings, subject to adjustment by amounts determined by Blackstone's general partner to be necessary or appropriate to provide for the conduct of its business, to make appropriate investments in its business and funds, to comply with applicable law, any of its debt instruments or other agreements, or to provide for future cash requirements such as tax-related payments, clawback obligations and distributions to unitholders for any ensuing quarter. The amount to be distributed could also be adjusted upward in any one quarter. All of the foregoing is subject to the qualification that the declaration and payment of any distributions are at the sole discretion of Blackstone's general partner and may change its distribution policy at any time, including, without limitation, to eliminate such distributions entirely.

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