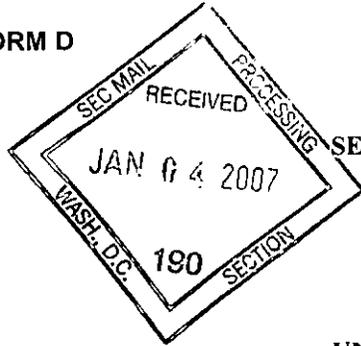


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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM D NOTICE OF SALE OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO REGULATION D, SECTION 4(6), AND/OR UNIFORM LIMITED OFFERING EXEMPTION



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Name of Offering () check if this is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change. Carlyle Europe Partners III, L.P. Filing Under (Check box(es) that apply): () Rule 504 () Rule 505 () Rule 506 () Section 4(6) () ULOE Type of Filing: () New Filing () Amendment

A. BASIC IDENTIFICATION DATA

1. Enter the information requested about the issuer Name of Issuer () check if this is an amendment and name has changed, and indicate change. Carlyle Europe Partners III, L.P. (the "Fund") Address of Executive Offices (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code) Telephone Number (Including Area Code) Address of Principal Business Operations (if different from Executive Offices) Telephone Number (Including Area Code) Brief Description of Business Investments

PROCESSED

Type of Business Organization () corporation () business trust () limited partnership, already formed () limited partnership, to be formed () other (please specify): Actual or Estimated Date of Incorporation or Organization: Month Year () Actual () Estimated Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization: (Enter two-letter U.S. Postal Service abbreviation for State: F N CN for Canada; FN for other foreign jurisdiction)

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Federal: Who Must File: All issuers making an offering of securities in reliance on an exemption under Regulation D or Section 4(6), 17 CFR 230.501 et seq. or 15 U.S.C. 77d(6). When to File: A notice must be filed no later than 15 days after the first sale of securities in the offering. Where to File: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, 450 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20549. Copies Required: Five (5) copies of this notice must be filed with the SEC, one of which must be manually signed. Information Required: A new filing must contain all information requested. Filing Fee: There is no federal filing fee.

State: This notice shall be used to indicate reliance on the Uniform Limited Offering Exemption (ULOE) for sales of securities in those states that have adopted ULOE and that have adopted this form. Issuers relying on ULOE must file a separate notice with the Securities Administrator in each state where sales are to be, or have been made. If a state requires the payment of a fee as a precondition to the claim for the exemption, a fee in the proper amount shall accompany this form. This notice shall be filed in the appropriate states in accordance with state law. The Appendix to the notice constitutes a part of this notice and must be completed.

ATTENTION

Failure to file notice in the appropriate states will not result in a loss of the federal exemption. Conversely, failure to file the appropriate federal notice will not result in a loss of an available state exemption unless such exemption is predicated on the filing of a federal notice.

Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control number.

A. BASIC IDENTIFICATION DATA

2. Enter the information requested for the following:

- Each promoter of the issuer, if the issuer has been organized within the past five years;
- Each beneficial owner having the power to vote or dispose, or direct the vote or disposition of, 10% or more of a class of equity securities of the issuer;
- Each executive officer and director of corporate issuers and of corporate general and managing partners of partnership issuers; and
- Each general and managing partner of partnership issuers.

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director General and/or Managing Partner

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
CEP III GP, L.P. (the "General Partner")

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
c/o The Carlyle Group, 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 220 South, Washington, D.C. 20004

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director General and/or Managing Partner*

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
CEP III Limited (the "General Partner of the General Partner")

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
c/o The Carlyle Group, 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 220 South, Washington, D.C. 20004

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director** General and/or Managing Partner

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
D'Aniello, Daniel A.

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
c/o The Carlyle Group, 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 220 South, Washington, D.C. 20004

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director** General and/or Managing Partner

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
Rubenstein, David M.

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
c/o The Carlyle Group, 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 220 South, Washington, D.C. 20004

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director** General and/or Managing Partner

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
Conway, William E., Jr.

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
c/o The Carlyle Group, 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 220 South, Washington, D.C. 20004

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director** General and/or Managing Partner

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)
Harris, John F.

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)
c/o The Carlyle Group, 1001 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 220 South, Washington, D.C. 20004

Check Box(es) that Apply: Promoter Beneficial Owner Executive Officer Director General and/or Managing Partner

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)

* of the General Partner. / ** of the General Partner of the General Partner.

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B. INFORMATION ABOUT OFFERING

Yes No

1. Has the issuer sold, or does the issuer intend to sell, to non-accredited investors in this offering?

Answer also in Appendix, Column 2, if filing under ULOE.

2. What is the minimum investment that will be accepted from any individual?\$13,183,000*

* The General Partner reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to accept commitments of lesser amounts. Yes No

3. Does the offering permit joint ownership of a single unit?

4. Enter the information requested for each person who has been or will be paid or given, directly or indirectly, any commission or similar remuneration for solicitation of purchasers in connection with sales of securities in the offering. If a person to be listed is an associated person or agent of a broker or dealer registered with the SEC and/or with a state or states, list the name of the broker or dealer. If more than five (5) persons to be listed are associated persons of such a broker or dealer, you may set forth the information for that broker or dealer only. Completed only with respect to sales in the U.S.

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)

Not applicable.

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)

Name of Associated Broker or Dealer

States in Which Person Listed Has Solicited or Intends to Solicit Purchasers

(Check "All States" or check individual States) All States

Table with 13 columns representing US states: [AL], [AK], [AZ], [AR], [CA], [CO], [CT], [DE], [DC], [FL], [GA], [HI], [ID], [IL], [IN], [IA], [KS], [KY], [LA], [ME], [MD], [MA], [MI], [MN], [MS], [MO], [MT], [NE], [NV], [NH], [NJ], [NM], [NY], [NC], [ND], [OH], [OK], [OR], [PA], [RI], [SC], [SD], [TN], [TX], [UT], [VT], [VA], [WA], [WV], [WI], [WY], [PR]

Full Name (Last name first, if individual)

Business or Residence Address (Number and Street, City, State, Zip Code)

Name of Associated Broker or Dealer

States in Which Person Listed Has Solicited or Intends to Solicit Purchasers

(Check "All States" or check individual States) All States

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(Use blank sheet, or copy and use additional copies of this sheet, as necessary.)

C. OFFERING PRICE, NUMBER OF INVESTORS, EXPENSES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

1. Enter the aggregate offering price of securities included in this offering and the total amount already sold. Enter "0" if answer is "none" or "zero." If the transaction is an exchange offering, check this box and indicate in the columns below the amounts of the securities offered for exchange and already exchanged.

Type of Security	Aggregate Offering Price	Amount Already Sold
Debt	\$0 _____	\$0 _____
Equity	\$0 _____	\$0 _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Common <input type="checkbox"/> Preferred		
Convertible Securities (including warrants)	\$0 _____	\$0 _____
Partnership Interests	\$5,932,350,000* _____	\$3,096,830,380.963 3 _____
Other (Specify _____)	\$0 _____	\$0 _____
Total	\$5,932,350,000* _____	\$3,096,830,380.963 3 _____

Answer also in Appendix, Column 3, if filing under ULOE.

2. Enter the number of accredited and non-accredited investors who have purchased securities in this offering and the aggregate dollar amounts of their purchases. For offerings under Rule 504, indicate the number of persons who have purchased securities and the aggregate dollar amount of their purchases on the total lines. Enter "0" if answer is "none" or "zero."

	Number Investors	Aggregate Dollar Amount of Purchases
Accredited Investors	135	\$3,096,830,380.963 3 _____
Non-accredited Investors	0	\$0 _____
Total (for filings under Rule 504 only)	_____	\$ _____

Answer also in Appendix, Column 4, if filing under ULOE.

3. If this filing is for an offering under Rule 504 or 505, enter the information requested for all securities sold by the issuer, to date, in offerings of the types indicated, in the twelve (12) months prior to the first sale of securities in this offering. Classify securities by type listed in Part C - Question 1.

Type of offering	Type of Security	Dollar Amount Sold
Rule 505	_____	\$ _____
Regulation A	_____	\$ _____
Rule 504	_____	\$ _____
Total	_____	\$ _____

4. a. Furnish a statement of all expenses in connection with the issuance and distribution of the securities in this offering. Exclude amounts relating solely to organization expenses of the issuer. The information may be given as subject to future contingencies. If the amount of an expenditure is not known, furnish an estimate and check the box to the left of the estimate.

Transfer Agent's Fees	■ \$0* _____
Printing and Engraving Costs	■ \$* _____
Legal Fees	■ \$* _____
Accounting Fees	■ \$* _____
Engineering Fees	■ \$0 _____
Sales Commissions (specify finders' fees separately)	■ \$0* _____
Other Expenses (identify)	■ \$* _____
Total	■ \$2,636,600* _____

* Generally, the Fund will bear its pro rata share of all legal, accounting, filing and other expenses incurred in connection with organizing and establishing and offering of interests in the Fund and certain related entities (excluding placement and finder fees, if any) but not in excess in the aggregate of \$2,636,600. Any fees to placement agents will be borne by The Carlyle Group. Dollar amounts are provided for purposes of this Form only based on the conversion rate of €1 to \$1.3183 at December 20, 2006.

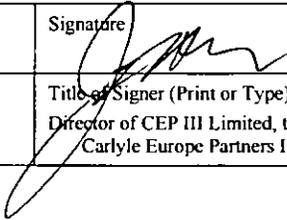
C. OFFERING PRICE, NUMBER OF INVESTORS, EXPENSES AND USE OF PROCEEDS

- b. Enter the difference between the aggregate offering price given in response to Part C - Question 1 and total expenses furnished in response to Part C - Question 4.a. This difference is the "adjusted gross proceeds to the issuer." \$5,929,713,400
5. Indicate below the amount of the adjusted gross proceeds to the issuer used or proposed to be used for each of the purposes shown. If the amount for any purpose is not known, furnish an estimate and check the box to the left of the estimate. The total of the payments listed must equal the adjusted gross proceeds to the issuer set forth in response to Part C - Question 4.b above.

	Payments to Officers, Directors, & Affiliates	Payments To Others
Salaries and fees.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
Purchase of real estate.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
Purchase, rental or leasing and installation of machinery and equipment.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
Construction or leasing of plant buildings and facilities.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
Acquisition of other businesses (including the value of securities involved in this offering that may be used in exchange for the assets or securities of another issuer pursuant to a merger).....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
Repayment of indebtedness.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
Working capital.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
Other (specify): Investments and related costs _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$5,929,713,400
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____
Column Totals.....	<input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$5,929,713,400
Total Payments Listed (columns totals added).....		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> \$5,929,713,400

D. FEDERAL SIGNATURE

The issuer has duly caused this notice to be signed by the undersigned duly authorized person. If this notice is filed under Rule 505, the following signature constitutes an undertaking by the issuer to furnish to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, upon written request of its staff, the information furnished by the issuer to any non-accredited investor pursuant to paragraph (b)(2) of Rule 502.

Issuer (Print or Type) Carlyle Europe Partners III, L.P.	Signature 	Date January 2, 2007
Name of Signer (Print or Type) John F. Harris	Title of Signer (Print or Type) Director of CEP III Limited, the general partner of CEP III GP, L.P., the general partner of Carlyle Europe Partners III, L.P.	

ATTENTION

Intentional misstatements or omissions of fact constitute federal criminal violations. (See 18 U.S.C. 1001.)