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By Electronic Mail

May 3, 2012

Ms. Cecile Peters
Chief, IT Services
Division of Corporation Finance
U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission
100 F Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20549

Dear Ms. Peters:

This is to certify that on May 3, 2012 The Nasdaq Stock Market (the "Exchange") received from The Carlyle Group L.P. (the "Registrant") a copy of the Registrant's application on Form 8-A 12(b) for the registration of the following security:

Common Units Representing Limited Partner Interests

We further certify that the security described above have been approved by the Exchange for listing and registration upon official notice of issuance.

We understand that the Registrant is seeking effectiveness of the Form 8-A 12(b) concurrently with effectiveness of its 1933 Act Registration Statement, and we hereby join in such request.

Sincerely,

Received SEC

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