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Form ADV, Part 2A; the “Brochure” provides information about the qualifications and business practices of the Adviser.

If you have any questions about the contents of this Brochure, please contact Scott Mathias, Chief Compliance Officer for the Adviser, at (212) 583-5000. The information in this Brochure has not been approved or verified by the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (“SEC”) or by any state securities authority.

Additional information about the Adviser is also available at the SEC’s website www.adviserinfo.sec.gov (click on the link “Investment Adviser Search”, select “Firm” and type in the name “CT Investment Management Co., LLC”). The search results will provide you with both Parts 1 and 2A of the Adviser’s Form ADV.

The Adviser is registered with the SEC as an investment adviser. The Adviser’s registration as an investment adviser does not imply any level of skill or training. The oral and written communications the Adviser provides to you, including this Brochure, serve as information for you to use to evaluate the Adviser and should be considered in your decision whether to invest in an Investment Vehicle advised by the Adviser.

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Item 2 – Material Changes

There has not been a material change to this Brochure since the last annual update on March 30, 2023.

However, please carefully read Items 5, 6, 8 and 10, which describe certain fees and expenses, performance-based fees, potential risk of loss and potential conflicts of interest, respectively.

The Adviser, at any time, may update this Brochure and offer to send you a copy (either by electronic means (email) or in hard copy form).

If you would like another copy of this Brochure, please download it from the SEC's website as indicated on the cover of this Brochure, or you may contact the Adviser's Chief Compliance Officer, Scott Mathias, at (212) 583-5000.

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Item 3.1 – Defined Terms

As used throughout this Brochure, the following terms have the following meanings:

1940 Act: The U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended from time to time.

Acquisition Fees: Fees received by the Adviser and its Affiliates with respect to the acquisition of an Investment, which are often calculated as a percentage of the total enterprise valuation of the transaction (*i.e.*, generally the aggregate amount of invested capital and debt assumed or financed by the purchaser).

Additional Fees: Additional fees received by the Adviser and its Affiliates for the performance of certain services, directly or indirectly, for Clients, which are not specifically identified as services to be performed by the Adviser and its Affiliates pursuant to the Organizational Documents of the relevant Client.

Administrative Agents: Certain related persons of the Adviser that serve as administrative agents with respect to loan syndicates, the participants of which include certain Clients, other Affiliates of Blackstone that are not Clients, and third-party lenders.

Administrative Services: Administrative services, which include, but are not limited to, fund administration, accounting, tax, valuation and reporting-related services customarily provided by a third party.

Adviser: CT Investment Management Co., LLC, a Delaware limited liability company formed on February 23, 2000.

Advisers Act: U.S. Investment Advisers Act of 1940, as amended.

Advisory Agreements: The investment advisory agreements with respect to each of the Adviser's Clients.

Affiliate: With respect to a Person, any other Person that either directly or indirectly controls, is controlled by or is under common control with the first Person (it being understood that "control" (and derivations thereof) means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of a Person, whether through the ownership of voting

shares, by contract or otherwise). For greater certainty, Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles shall not be deemed Affiliates of the General Partners, Blackstone or the Adviser for purposes hereof.

Agent Accounts: Accounts established by the Administrative Agents to facilitate the movement of cash to and from loan syndicate participants and borrowers.

AIFMD: The EU Alternative Investment Fund Managers Directive.

BIS: A business unit of Blackstone that is comprised of two affiliated registered investment advisers and provides investment advisory services to BIS Clients.

BIS Clients: Insurers and other investors (including insurance companies that are owned, directly or indirectly, by Blackstone or Other Blackstone Vehicles, in whole or in part) to whom BIS provides investment advisory services.

Blackstone: Blackstone Inc. (and its successors), together with its Affiliates (excluding the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles).

Blackstone Capital Markets Group: Blackstone’s capital market group.

Blackstone Credit Funds: Any account, client, fund, vehicle or any other similar arrangement managed by Blackstone Alternative Credit Advisors LP.

Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles: BTAS Funds and BXPE Funds.

Blackstone Real Estate Group: Blackstone’s Real Estate group, which includes the Adviser, the General Partners and their respective Affiliates that, collectively, manage the Other Real Estate Vehicles.

BSCH: Blackstone Strategic Capital Holdings.

BSP: Blackstone Securities Partners L.P., a registered broker-dealer Affiliate of Blackstone, which can generally be expected to serve as an uncompensated placement agent for one or more Clients in the United States and in other jurisdictions.

BTAS Funds: Any account, client, fund, vehicle or any other similar arrangement managed by Blackstone Multi-Asset Advisors L.L.C.

CDOs: Collateralized debt obligations, private equity real estate funds, and a separate account.

BXPE Funds: Any account, client, fund, vehicle or any other similar arrangement managed by Blackstone Private Investments Advisors L.L.C.

CFIUS: The Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States.

CFTC: The Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

Clients: The CDO's, the Fund or Separate Accounts.

CMBS: Commercial mortgage-backed securities.

Code of Ethics: The Blackstone Code of Ethics.

Consultants: Strategic advisors, consultants, senior advisors, industry experts, joint venture and other partners and professionals, any of whom might be current or former executives or other personnel of Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles or Portfolio Entities of the foregoing.

Corebridge: The insurance companies comprising Corebridge Financial, Inc.'s life and retirement business.

CTIMCO Managers: The administrative managers, managing members or general partners to the Clients consisting of: CT High Grade Partners II Manager, LLC, CT High Grade Partners II MM, LLC, and CT High Grade Mezzanine Manager, LLC and, as the context requires, the Adviser

Custody Rule: Rule 206(4)-2, as amended, of the Advisers Act.

Data Holders: Portfolio Entities, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and Investors in Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles to whom Blackstone or an Affiliate thereof provide data management services.

Debt Funds: Investment Vehicles primarily investing in senior secured loans, distressed debt, subordinated debt, high-yield securities, mezzanine loans, RMBS, CMBS and other debt instruments.

Dodd-Frank: The U.S. Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act.

ESG: Environmental, Social and Governance.

ESG Framework: Blackstone’s firm-wide ESG policy and related programs and procedures, including the policy with respect to ESG established by Blackstone Real Estate and Blackstone Real Estate funds’ specific ESG practices.

Exchange Act: The U.S. Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

Everlake: Everlake Life Insurance Company and certain of its Affiliates.

FATCA: The Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act.

FCPA: The Foreign Corrupt Practices Act.

FGL: FGL Holdings, which was formerly known as Fidelity & Guaranty Life Insurance Company and was acquired by Fidelity National Financial Inc., and certain of its Affiliates.

Fund: A private real estate fund advised by the Adviser indirectly through a CTIMCO Manager.

Fund Management Fee: Compensation to the Adviser from the Fund for its services in the form of an annual management fee.

Fund Organization Agreement: Limited liability company operating agreement, limited partnership agreement, bylaws or charter of the Clients

GDPR: Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data.

General Partner: The general partner or other governing body, as applicable, acting in a similar capacity of each Client.

IBOR: Interbank Offered Rate.

Independent Client Representative: An independent representative of a Client that acts or provides consent with respect to the matter giving rise to the conflict of interest.

Investor: Limited partners or other investors in a Client or other Investment Vehicle.

Investment: Any equity, debt or other investment of any type made by an Investment Vehicle.

Investment Vehicles: Single investor and pooled investment funds, managed accounts, supplemental accounts, collective investment vehicles and other similar arrangements (including vehicles in existence as of the date hereof and those that may be formed in the future), together with any related feeder funds, parallel funds and alternative investment vehicles.

IPO: Initial public offering.

JV Arrangements: Investments in Portfolio Entities with Joint Venture Partners.

Joint Venture Partners: Third-party co-investors that enter into JV Arrangements with the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles.

LIBOR: London Inter-bank Offered Rate.

Management Agreement: Investment Management Agreement between the Adviser and the Clients.

Management Fee: Compensation to the Adviser from the Separate Account and the Fund Management Fee.

NAV: Net asset value.

NYSE: The New York Stock Exchange.

Offering Documents: The confidential private placement memorandum or other offering document, if any, describing the Fund and its terms utilized to offer investments in a Fund.

Organizational Documents: The organizational documents include the Management Agreement, Fund Organization Agreement, and Offering Documents.

Other Blackstone Vehicles: Investment Vehicles managed by Blackstone, including the Other Real Estate Vehicles, other than the Clients.

Other Real Estate Vehicles: Investment Vehicles managed by Blackstone that are focused on real estate and real estate related Investments, other than the Clients.

Person: Any individual, partnership, corporation, limited liability company, unincorporated organization or association, trust (including the trustees thereof in their capacity as such), government, governmental entity or other entity.

PJT: PJT Partners Inc.

Portfolio Entity: Individually and collectively, any entity in which the Client or an Other Blackstone Vehicle (as the context requires) owns, directly or indirectly, an equity interest or debt interest, including, as the context requires, portfolio companies, holding companies, special purpose vehicles and other entities through which Investments are held, including the issuers or borrowers thereof.

Proxies: Proxy proposals, amendments, consents or resolutions.

Proxy Rule: Rule 206(4)-6 under the Advisers Act.

Proxy Voting Policy: A set of policies and procedures adopted by the Adviser in compliance with the Proxy Rule.

Qualified Custodian: A qualified custodian, which includes, but is not limited to, a bank, trust company, or broker-dealer.

REIT: Real estate investment trust.

Resolution Life: Resolution Life Group Holdings Ltd.

SEC: U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Securities Act: U.S. Securities Act of 1933, as amended, together with the rules adopted thereunder by the SEC.

Separate Account: A separate account for an institutional client advised by the Adviser indirectly through a CTIMCO Manager.

Servicing Fee: A servicing fee that is anticipated to be charged, in Blackstone's discretion, by the Adviser to Investors with capital commitments below a certain threshold to certain Clients.

SFDR: The European Union Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation and any other applicable legislation or regulations related to the European Commission’s Action Plan on Financing Sustainable Growth.

Strategic Relationships: Strategic relationships entered into between Blackstone and Investors (and/or one or more of their Affiliates) that involve an overall relationship with Blackstone that could incorporate one or more strategies (including, but not limited to, different sector and/or geographical focus) in addition to the applicable Client’s strategy.

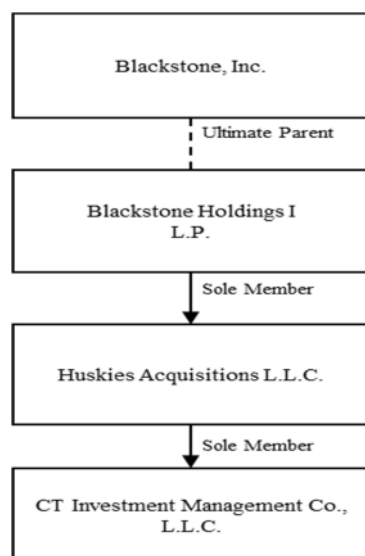
Supplemental Accounts: One or more supplemental capital vehicles established by Blackstone.

Item 4 – Advisory Business

Overview of the Firm

The Adviser is a Delaware limited liability company and was formed in February 2000. The Adviser is an alternative asset management company focused predominantly on Investments in the commercial real estate debt sector. The Adviser manages, advises and invests on behalf of the Clients.

The ultimate parent of the Adviser is Blackstone. Please see the structure chart below. Blackstone is a global alternative investment manager with Investment Vehicles focused on real estate, private equity, hedge fund solutions, credit, infrastructure, secondary funds of funds and multi-asset class strategies. Please see **Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations** for more information.



As of December 31, 2023, the Adviser had regulatory assets under management of approximately \$175.0 million on a discretionary basis and approximately \$53.2 million on a non-discretionary basis. Please note that this figure is an unaudited estimate.

Description of Advisory Services

The Adviser has organized and controls the CTIMCO Managers and other entities. In addition, the CTIMCO Managers manage the Fund and the Separate Account. The CTIMCO Managers are registered with the SEC in reliance on the Form ADV of CT Investment Management Co., LLC (together they file a single Form ADV). References to the Adviser herein may include, where the context so requires, references to the CTIMCO Managers. The CTIMCO Managers and their employees and persons acting on their behalf are subject to the Adviser's supervision and control, its code of ethics and its compliance policies and procedures. The advisory activities of the CTIMCO Managers are subject to the Advisers Act, and the CTIMCO Managers are subject to examination by the SEC.

Types of Advisory Services

The Fund, the Separate Account and CDOs invest in debt, equity and hybrid instruments backed by commercial real estate and related assets. See Item 8 for more information with respect to the investment strategies of the Fund, the Separate Account and CDOs.

The Adviser provides investment management services to the following:

CDOs

The Adviser serves as collateral manager for certain non-registered CDOs and, in such capacity, provides ongoing collateral and asset management services to the CDOs.

As investment adviser to Clients, the Adviser identifies investment opportunities and participates in the acquisition, management, monitoring and disposition of investments for each Client.

Client Tailored Services and Client Tailored Restrictions

As investment adviser to the Clients, the Adviser:

1. Identifies and analyzes investment opportunities;
2. Makes investment recommendations to the General Partner of each Client, as applicable;
3. Participates in the monitoring and evaluation of investments; and
4. Provides other related services in connection with the implementation of the investment program of each Client, including, without limitation, arranging for and coordinating the services of other professionals and consultants.

The Adviser tailors its advisory services to the particular needs of each Client. However, the specific needs of the individual investors in a Client (i.e., limited partner investors) are not the basis for recommendations by the Adviser. Investment advice is provided directly to the Client, not individually to the respective investors in the Client.

The Adviser manages the Clients based on the investment objectives and investment restrictions set forth in the Organizational Documents.

Pursuant to the Management Agreement of the Fund, the Adviser is prohibited from investing more than a certain percentage of the Fund's assets in any single investment. Further, the Adviser has entered into side letters with certain members and limited partners of the Fund which impose further restrictions on the Adviser's discretionary authority.

The investment management agreements with its Separate Account clients currently do not provide the Adviser with investment discretion. See Item 16. Each Separate Account client has its own tailored investment strategy and Separate Account clients may impose restrictions on investing in certain types of investments.

The collateral management services the Adviser provides to CDOs are governed by the terms of the relevant collateral management agreements.

Item 5 – Fees and Compensations

Private Fund

Pursuant to the Management Agreement with the Fund, the Adviser is entitled to the Fund Management Fee equal to a percentage of invested capital. All fees for the Fund are disclosed in the Offering Documents, which are provided to investors. Investors in the Fund may have different fee arrangements. To the extent they invest in the Fund, the Adviser's Affiliates and their associates invest on the same terms offered to other investors (other than to the extent expressly specified in the Organizational Documents).

The Fund Management Fee is payable in arrears on a quarterly basis and performance fees may be payable when earned. The Adviser may elect to defer payment of all or part of the Fund Management Fee and/or performance fee. Fund Management Fees and performance fees are generally deducted from the applicable Fund assets.

Separate Account

The Separate Account pays a management fee, which is generally based on a percentage of the aggregate amount invested at cost for the investments made for the account. Management Fees are payable in advance on a quarterly basis.

The Management Agreement for the Separate Account may be cancelled at any time, by either party, for any reason, upon receipt of 30 days' written notice, or as otherwise agreed in the Management Agreement. If the Management Agreement is terminated by an investor of the Separate Account, a termination fee based on a percentage of the aggregate amount invested at cost for the investments made for the account will be payable to the manager.

In certain cases, other fees are earned in respect of the disposition of assets as provided in the Separate Account's Management Agreement.

CDOs

The Adviser receives a collateral management fee as set forth in the collateral management agreement and offering document for each CDO, which is generally based on the size of the portfolio being managed and will vary among the CDOs. The fees for these CDOs are paid monthly.

Other Fees Payable to the Adviser and its Affiliates

The Adviser and its Affiliates will also from time to time receive (i) fees from, or with respect to, Portfolio Entities, borrowers or other third parties (x) as compensation for the arranging, underwriting, syndication or refinancing of an Investment, (y) as Additional Fees, including Acquisition Fees, loan modification or restructuring fees, servicing (including loan servicing) fees, special servicing and administrative fees, and (z) as fees for advisory (including investment banking and/or underwriting) or property/asset management services (including, but not limited to fees or payments for restructuring, mortgage-servicing, consulting (including management consulting), brokerage, capital market (including with respect to syndications or placements of debt and/or equity securities or instruments, including those issued by Portfolio Entities or entities formed to invest therein), credit origination, loan services, data management servicing, group purchasing, monitoring, commitment, syndication, origination, organizational and financing, divestment and other services) or title or other insurance provided to Portfolio Entities and/or third parties, (ii) fees from, or with respect to, the Clients' Investments or Portfolio Entities and from unconsummated transactions, including net break-up and topping fees, net commitment fees, net transaction fees, net monitoring fees, assumption fees, restructuring fees, directors' fees and net organization, financing, origination, divestment and similar fees, and (iii) fees associated with capital invested by co-investors relating to Investments in which the Clients participate or otherwise, in connection with a JV Arrangement in which the Clients participate or otherwise with respect to assets or other interests retained by a seller or other commercial counterparty with respect to which the Adviser or its Affiliates performs services. Such fees will not result in an offset to the Management Fee, except as set forth in the Organizational Documents of the Client. Please see **Item 10 – “Other Blackstone Business Activities”** for more information.

In addition, Portfolio Entities and Blackstone-affiliated service providers will receive fees in respect of services provided to Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and Portfolio Entities of the foregoing. There can be no assurances that amounts charged by Portfolio Entity service providers will be consistent with market rates or that any benchmarking, verification or other analysis will be performed with respect to such charges by Portfolio Entities or Blackstone-affiliated service providers. Please see **Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations** below and, in particular, “–*Portfolio Entity Service Providers and Vendors*”, “–*Service Providers, Vendors and Other Counterparties Generally*” and “–*Blackstone Affiliate Service Providers*” therein respectively for further information about such Portfolio Entities and Blackstone-affiliated service providers.

The Adviser or its Affiliates, from time to time, may also receive topping, break-up or other similar fees in connection with any unconsummated or terminated transaction as noted above. In the event that break-up or topping fees are paid to the Adviser and its Affiliates in connection with a transaction that is not ultimately consummated, co-investment vehicles that invest alongside the Clients will generally not be allocated any share of such break-up or topping fees; similarly, such co-investment vehicles generally do not bear their share of broken deal expenses for unconsummated transactions and such costs and expenses will generally be borne by the Clients. Please see **Item 10 – “Broken Deal Expenses.”** In the event break-up fees, topping fees, or similar expenses are payable by a co-investment vehicle, the Clients may advance such fees and expenses on behalf of the co-investment vehicle without charging interest until paid by the co-investment vehicle and the CTIMCO Managers may, in their discretion, request contribution from such co-investment vehicle in an amount equal to the advance. Such other fees may give rise to conflicts of interest in connection with a Client’s investment activities.

The Adviser and its personnel and related parties will receive intangible and other benefits, discounts and perquisites arising or resulting from their activities on behalf of the Clients, the value of which will not offset or reduce Management Fees or otherwise be shared with the Clients or their Investors or Portfolio Entities. Please see **Item 10 – “Other Benefits”** for examples of such benefits, discounts and perquisites received by the Adviser, its Affiliates and their personnel and related parties.

In addition, the Adviser and its Affiliates engage and retain on behalf of the Clients and/or their Portfolio Entities affiliated service providers to provide various services to the Clients and their Portfolio Entities, including fund administration services, title services, property management services, management and leasing oversight, corporate and trust services, loan servicing and real estate management, among others. As a result, Blackstone, through its interest in such affiliated service providers (including those listed in Item 10), receives (or will receive) fees and compensation resulting from the Clients and their investments, and there will be no related offset to the Management Fee payable by the investors.

Expenses

Clients may elect to have account assets held in the custody of a bank, trust company, broker-dealer or other entity selected by the Client and/or CDO or the Adviser. The Client or CDO bears any custodial fees associated with any such account. Any fees incurred by the Client or CDO will be in addition to the fee payable to the Adviser. See Item 15 – Custody for more information.

The following is a list of expenses that are typically borne by the Clients (and indirectly by the Investors in the Clients). This list is not intended to be exhaustive; prospective and existing Investors in the Clients are advised to review the applicable Client's Offering Materials and Organizational Documents for a more extensive description of the expenses associated with an investment in such Client.

(i) costs or expenses associated with developing, negotiating, structuring, financing, disposing of or otherwise dealing with investments, including investment banking, engineering, appraisal, environmental, travel, legal and accounting expenses, any deposits and commitment fees and other fees and out-of-pocket costs related thereto; (ii) costs or expenses associated with monitoring investments, including engineering, environmental, third-party payment processing, travel, legal, accounting and transaction fees; (iii) legal, filing, auditing, consulting, administration (including in-house administration/accounting costs), accounting and other professional fees and expenses; (iv) travel and other expenses in connection with the Clients' organization, fundraising and investment activities (including first class and/or business class airfare and/or private charter, where appropriate), first class lodging, ground transportation, travel and premium meals (including closing dinners and mementos, late night cars and meals and social and entertainment events with Portfolio Entity management, customers, clients, Investors, borrowers, brokers and service providers; (v) fees, costs and expenses related to the organization or maintenance of any intermediate entity used to acquire, hold or dispose of any one or more Investment(s) or otherwise facilitating a Client's investment activities, including without limitation any travel and accommodation expenses related to such entity and the salary and benefits of any personnel (including personnel of the Adviser or its Affiliates) reasonably necessary and/or advisable for the maintenance and operation of such entity, costs associated with the leasing of office space, or other overhead expenses in connection therewith; (vi) placement fees and due diligence of such placement agent; (vii) property, loan administration and servicing and other asset management fees; (viii) capital raising, expenses associated with investor admission and investor-related services and other similar costs; (ix) expenses associated with periodic reporting to such Fund; (x) expenses associated with financial statements and tax returns; (xi) brokerage commissions and other investments costs; (xii) expenses associated with registration of the Fund's securities; (xiii) to the extent permitted by applicable law, expenses associated with regulatory compliance matters and regulatory filings, including but not limited to compliance with U.S. federal and state securities laws and international laws, and/or specifically relating to the Fund's activities (including, but not

limited to, Form PF and similar forms with the SEC, Securities Exchange Act of 1934 reports, CFTC filings, FCPA diligence, German Tax reporting, and AIFMD (including any costs associated with the AIFMD marketing passport)); (xiv) fees paid to administrators for services provided to the Clients, and due diligence of such administrator or other service provider; (xv) insurance; (xvi) interest and other expenses incurred in respect of borrowings, if any; (xvii) other expenses associated with the acquisition, holding, monitoring, settlement and disposition of such Fund's investments; (xviii) fees and expenses associated with brokerage services (including prime broker account charge, brokerage commissions and distribution fees); (xix) the costs and expenses of any custodians, depositaries, representative and paying agents, lenders, investment banks and other financing sources; (xx) any insurance and indemnity expenses; (xxi) fees and expenses related to hedging arrangements and currency conversion; (xxii) the costs and expenses of any litigation involving the Clients or entities in which the Clients have investments; (xxiii) technology expenses (including third-party as well as Blackstone-internally allocated charges); (xxiv) certain hardware expenses and software fees; (xxv) fees and expenses incurred in connection with derivative transactions; (xxvi) expenses incurred in connection with organizing and/or attending investment-related conferences and (xxvii) non-recurring operating expenses; (xxviii) regulatory and ESG-related expenses (expected to increase in consideration of increased regulatory activity).

Investors in a Client are typically allocated (or otherwise bear) their pro rata share of such fees and expenses. Most staff out-of-pocket travel expenses in connection with the Clients' transactions are treated as fund expenses, subject to the terms of the Clients' Organizational Documents. The CTIMCO Managers will be required to decide whether costs and expenses are to be borne by a Client, on the one hand, or the CTIMCO Managers and the Adviser, on the other, and/or whether certain costs and expenses should be allocated between or among the Client, on the one hand, and the Other Blackstone Vehicles on the other. Certain expenses may be suitable for only a particular Fund (or, where applicable, its parallel fund) and borne only by such Client, or, as is more often the case, expenses may be allocated pro rata among funds participating in the relevant investment(s), even if the expenses relate only to particular vehicle(s) and/or investor(s) therein. The CTIMCO Managers will make such judgments in their sole discretion, notwithstanding their interest in the outcome, in any manner that they determine to be fair and reasonable in good faith and in their sole discretion. The Adviser will make corrective allocations should it determine that such corrections are necessary or advisable. There can be no assurance that a different manner of allocation would not result in a Client bearing less (or more) expenses.

Certain personnel of Blackstone and its Affiliates, including Consultants (as defined herein), will, in certain circumstances, be seconded to one or more Portfolio Entities, vendors, service providers and vendors or Investors of the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles to provide finance, accounting, operation support, data management and other similar services, including the sourcing of Investments for the Clients or other parties. The salaries, benefits, overhead and other similar expenses for such personnel during the secondment could be borne by Blackstone and its Affiliates or the organization for which the personnel are working or both. (See “Secondments and Internships” in Item 10 below) Blackstone or the relevant Portfolio Entity may or may not pay salary or cover expenses associated with such secondees and interns, and if a Portfolio Entity pays any such cost it will be borne directly or indirectly by a Client. Blackstone, the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles or their Portfolio Entities could receive benefits from these arrangements at no cost, or alternatively could pay all or a portion of the fees, compensation or other expenses in respect of these arrangements. The Management Fee will not be offset or reduced as a result of these arrangements or any fees, expense reimbursements or other costs related thereto. The personnel described above may provide services in respect of multiple matters, including in respect of matters related to Blackstone, the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities, each of their respective Affiliates and related parties, and any costs of such personnel may be allocated accordingly. Blackstone will endeavor in good faith to allocate the costs of these arrangements, if any, to Blackstone, the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities and other parties based on time spent by the personnel or another methodology Blackstone deems appropriate in a particular circumstance. CDOs incur various expenses with respect to the ongoing administration of the underlying collateral assets which are in addition to the collateral management fees earned by the Adviser.

The Clients will generally bear the costs and expenses related to the organization, maintenance and/or dissolution of any entity used to directly or indirectly acquire, hold or dispose of any Investment or otherwise facilitate such Clients’ Investment activities (including, without limitation, travel, accommodation and related expenses related to such entity, and the salary and benefits of any personnel (including of the Adviser or its Affiliates) reasonably necessary or advisable for the maintenance and operation of such entity), expenses of liquidating Clients, capital raising and Investor-related services and other similar costs and expenses of administering side letters entered into with Investors (including the process of distributing and implementing applicable elections pursuant to any “most favored nations” clauses in side letters) and to the extent not reimbursed by a third party, all third-party expenses incurred in connection with a proposed Investment that is not ultimately made (or a proposed Investment that was initially considered by

an Other Blackstone Vehicle and subsequently allocated to a Client) or a proposed disposition that is not actually consummated (including legal, tax, accounting, travel and other expenses related to underwriting and pursuing an Investment, advisory and consulting fees and expenses, travel, accommodation, dining (including, *e.g.*, late night meals for the Adviser's employees working on a proposed Investment or disposition) and related expenses and printing expenses, and any liquidated damages, reverse termination fees or similar payments). Service providers (including Affiliates of the Adviser) will be retained for such purposes in accordance with the terms described in **Item 10 – “Portfolio Entity Service Providers and Vendors” and “Service Providers, Vendors and Other Counterparties Generally.”**

The Adviser intends to generally allocate partnership expenses and organizational expenses of the Clients on a *pro rata* basis on the capital commitments, invested capital or available capital, as applicable, but may in certain circumstances allocate such expenses in a different manner if the Adviser determines in good faith that doing so is more equitable or appropriate under the circumstances. This will result in a Client bearing a portion of certain partnership expenses and/or organizational expenses attributable to a parallel fund that are not directly connected to such Client and its activities, and (ii) a parallel fund bearing certain partnership expenses and/or organizational expenses of the Client that are not directly connected to such parallel fund or its activities.

The precise amount of, and the manner and calculation of, the fees and compensation described above, including the Management Fee and performance-based compensation, are established by the Adviser through negotiations with Investors in each Client, and the Offering Materials, the Organizational Documents and the Advisory Agreement of each Client include further details on such fees, compensation and related matters.

Investors in a Client are typically allocated (or otherwise bear) their pro rata share of such fees and expenses, which may be calculated based on capital commitments, invested capital, available capital, or other metrics as determined by the CTIMCO Managers in their sole discretion. From time to time, the Adviser will be required to decide whether costs and expenses are to be borne by a Client, on the one hand, or the Adviser, on the other, and/or whether certain costs and expenses should be allocated between or among the Clients, on the one hand, and the Other Blackstone Vehicles on the other. Certain expenses may be suitable for only a particular Client or participating Other Blackstone Vehicles and borne only by such Client, or, as is more often the case, expenses may be allocated pro rata among the Clients and participating Other Blackstone Vehicles, even if the expenses relate only to particular vehicle(s) and/or investor(s) therein, such allocation may be

calculated based on capital commitments, invested capital, available capital, or other metrics as determined by the CTIMCO Managers in their sole discretion. The Adviser will make such judgments in its fair and reasonable sole discretion, notwithstanding its interest in the outcome, and may make corrective allocations should it determine that such corrections are necessary or advisable. There can be no assurance that a different manner of allocation would not result in a Client bearing less (or more) expenses.

Item 6 – Performance-Based Fees and Side-By-Side Management

In addition to the Management Fees and other fees described in **Item 5** that are received by the Adviser, the CTIMCO Managers may receive performance fees with respect to third party investors in a Client in an amount up to 0.5% of disposition proceeds of any investment (in the case of the Fund, depending upon when the Investment is sold). Fees based on performance will only be charged in accordance with the provisions of Rule 205-3 under the Advisers Act. The Adviser will also receive a one-time exit fee upon disposition of assets equal to certain percentages of the disposition proceeds, depending upon the time period in which the investment is sold, as described in the applicable management agreement and in accordance with the terms of the Organizational Documents.

As described in **Item 10 – “Performance-Based Compensation”**, the fact that the Adviser’s Affiliates are in part compensated based on the performance of the Clients creates a greater incentive for the Adviser to make more speculative Investments on behalf of the Clients or time the purchase or sale of Investments in a manner motivated by the personal interest of Blackstone personnel than if such performance-based compensation did not exist.

The Clients have investment periods and overall duration that are generally limited to prescribed time periods, subject to extensions as permitted under the Organizational Documents, which may not require investor approval. The prospect of continuing to earn performance-based compensation from any actively investing Clients may create an incentive for the Adviser to extend the investment period or duration of a Client in accordance with the Offering Documents or Management Agreement, as applicable.

Neither the Adviser, nor any of its related persons is obligated to allocate any specific amount of time to a particular Client or CDO. The Adviser and its related persons intend to devote as much time as is deemed necessary for the conduct of each Client’s or CDO’s portfolio management, and will allocate investment opportunities in accordance with its allocation policy described in Item 12.B below.

The Adviser has adopted policies and procedures reasonably designed to enable it to operate in a manner whereby all its clients are treated fairly and equitably and to minimize the risk of any potential conflict of interest. These policies and procedures are described in more details below in Item 11 – Code of Ethics, Participation of Interests in Client Transactions and Personal Trading.

The Adviser has also adopted allocation policies which seek to ensure that investment opportunities are allocated on a fair and reasonable basis among Clients or CDOs (as determined by the Adviser, in good faith) and that all Client or CDO accounts are managed in accordance with their respective investment mandate (see Item 12). The Adviser does not consider fee structures in allocating investment opportunities.

Item 7 – Types of Clients

The Adviser provides investment advice to its Clients. A Client's Investors can be expected to consist of some or all of the following:

- Sovereign wealth funds;
- Public and private retirement and pension plans;
- State and municipal government agencies;
- Insurance companies;
- Public and private profit sharing plans;
- Charitable organizations and foundations, including endowment funds thereof;
- Banks and other financial institutions;
- Private investment funds;
- Investment companies;
- Trusts and estates;
- Corporations;
- Family Offices;
- Certain high net worth individuals; and
- Business entities other than those listed above.

Private Fund – Investor Suitability Requirements

All Investors in the Fund are subject to applicable suitability requirements. The Adviser and the CTIMCO Managers of a Client require that each Investor in a Client be an “accredited investor” as defined in Regulation D under the Securities Act, and a “qualified purchaser” as defined in Section 2(a)(51) of the U.S. Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, and meet other suitability requirements (including, in some circumstances, a Person that is not a U.S. Person as defined in Regulation S under the Securities Act). Generally, Investors must invest a minimum dollar amount set forth in the Offering Documents. The CTIMCO Manager reserves the right, with the consent of majority-in-interest of the investors, to waive the minimum dollar amount.

The Separate Account – Investor Suitability Requirements

The Adviser provides Separate Account services to an institutional investor capable of understanding the risks of its investment. The amount of invested capital committed to a Separate Account was negotiated with the Client or CDO.

CDOs – Investor Suitability Requirements

The CDOs were offered through private offerings made to “Qualified Institutional Buyers” under the Securities Act and in a manner whereby the CDOs are not required to register as an “investment company” under the Investment Company Act.

Item 8 – Methods of Analysis, Investment Strategies and Risk of Loss

Analysis

The Adviser identifies and evaluates the Investments in which the Clients invest. The Adviser's analysis is based on certain criteria, which include, but are not limited to, risk/return profile, capital structure, liquidity and investment performance. See **Item 10 – “Advisors, Consultants and Partners”** for additional information on sourcing Investments.

For each prospective investment, an in-house underwriting team is assigned to perform a ground-up analysis of all aspects of credit risk. The Adviser has developed the capability to apply this methodology to a high volume of investment opportunities, including CMBS transactions with a large number of underlying loans, through the combination of personnel, procedures and technology. The Adviser incorporates input received from its finance, capital markets and legal teams, as well as from various third parties, including its credit providers.

In its direct origination programs, the Adviser strives to design a customized structure for each Investment that provides the Adviser with the necessary credit, yield and protective structural features while meeting the varying, and often complex, needs of its Clients or CDOs. In the structured products arena, its broad capital markets expertise enables the Adviser to better analyze the risks and opportunities embedded in complex vehicles such as CMBS and CDOs.

The Adviser actively manages its Clients' or CDOs' portfolios. From the closing of an Investment through its final repayment, the Adviser's asset management team is in constant contact with its borrowers and servicers, monitoring performance of its collateral and enforcing its rights as necessary.

Investment Strategies

The following is only a summary of the principal investment strategies employed by the Adviser. The material risks associated with each of these strategies is set forth below. Investors should look to the Offering Documents of each Fund or the relevant Management Agreement and other Client or CDO materials for a more complete description of each strategy. Investors should not rely solely on the descriptions provided below.

The Adviser provides advice on the following structured products:

- **Mezzanine Loans:** Loans secured by a pledge of an owner's equity interest in one or more properties.

- ***B-Notes:*** Subordinated participations in First Mortgage Loans that have typically been securitized.
- ***First Mortgage Loans:*** Senior mortgage loans secured by an individual property or a portfolio of properties.
- ***CMBS:*** Interests in investment grade and below investment grade classes (including unrated, first-loss tranches) of fixed and floating rate commercial mortgage-backed securities including collateralized debt obligations and “rake bonds” (which are junior participations in mortgage loans held inside of a CMBS trust).
- ***Commercial Real Estate CDOs***
- ***Bank Debt:*** Secured and unsecured loans typically collateralized by real estate operating companies and their underlying real property assets.
- ***Other/Special Situation Investments:*** Investments primarily in special situations relating to one of the aforementioned investment categories or derivatives thereof. Examples include (all relating to commercial real estate): total rate of return swaps, credit default swaps, REIT securities, preferred equity, distressed loans and real estate related investments.
- ***REIT/Corporate Securities***

Investment opportunities which are appropriate for more than one Client or CDO will be allocated by the Adviser according to its allocation policies as described further in Section 12.B below.

The Adviser’s personnel meet as necessary to discuss the investment activities of the Clients (it being understood that the investment periods for the Clients have ended). At that meeting, transactions and other relevant developments and/or activities regarding the Clients are discussed.

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Risk of Loss

An investment in the Clients entails a significant degree of risk and therefore should be undertaken only by Investors capable of evaluating the risks of an investment therein and bearing the risks such investment represents. Set forth below is a non-exhaustive list of such risks (some of which may not apply to a particular Client):

1. No established market for potential Investments exists
2. Illiquidity of Investments by the Clients
3. Restrictions on transfers of investor interests under the Organizational Documents or the Securities Act and lack of a public market
4. Restrictions on redemptions and withdrawals with respect to open-end Clients
5. Financial market fluctuations and the availability of financing in U.S. or non-U.S. jurisdictions
6. Economic, political and social uncertainty in the markets where Clients invest and globally
7. Political activities (including political contributions, hiring lobbyists and other permissible political activities in U.S. or non-U.S. jurisdictions)
8. Regional risk; interdependence of markets
9. Changes in legal, fiscal and regulatory regimes
10. Nature of equity or equity-related Investments
11. For non-U.S. Investments, currency fluctuation, exchange controls and political factors
12. Portfolio and geographic concentration
13. Investment environment and market risk
14. Market volatility risks, including interest rate fluctuations and inflation
15. Public health risk/epidemics/pandemics (including COVID-19)
16. Environmental risks and potential liabilities, including weather and climatological risks
17. Risks related to climate change and the increased focus on sustainability issues
18. Risk of loss of entire Investment
19. Deterioration of property values
20. Policy risks in emerging markets
21. Highly competitive nature of real estate investment business
22. Inability to deploy capital in conjunction with finding suitable Investments
23. Lender liability risks, including equitable subordination
24. Hedging risk

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25. Inability to implement a Client’s investment strategy
 26. Service provider process / control
 27. Increase in supply / decrease in demand
 28. Dependence on the Adviser, the Adviser’s key personnel, and Portfolio Entity management
 29. Real estate’s susceptibility to adverse changes in economic and employment conditions
 30. Valuation matters, including deficiencies in appraisal quality or third-party valuation agent’s review in loan origination or the investment process (please see **Item 10 – “Valuation Matters”** for more information)
 31. Accounting, disclosure and regulatory standards
 32. Contingent liabilities incurred on dispositions or financings of Investments
 33. Limited ability to protect the Client’s interest when making non-controlling Investments or Investments with third parties (including joint ventures)
 34. Lack of diversification in Investments
 35. Limited availability of investment opportunities
 36. Operating and financial risks of Portfolio Entities
 37. Reliance on Portfolio Entity management and third parties
 38. Cyber security breaches, identity theft, denial of service attacks, ransomware attacks, and social engineering attempts (including software code protection)
 39. Risks arising from ERISA including potential control group liability
 40. Litigation risk (including at the property level)
 41. Cross incurrence of indebtedness or guarantees on a several, joint and several or cross-collateralized basis among the Clients and with Other Blackstone Vehicles (please see **Item 10 – “Cross-Guarantees and Cross-Collateralization”** for more information)
 42. CFTC registration requirements or maintenance of exemptions therefrom
 43. Enhanced scrutiny and potential regulation of the private investment fund industry and the financial services industry (including Dodd-Frank)
 44. Compliance with pay-to-play laws, regulations and policies

45. Compliance with U.S. economic and trade sanctions
46. Compliance with anti-corruption laws and regulations
47. Compliance with AIFMD, SFDR, Cayman Islands Private Fund Law and other applicable international law
48. Compliance with CFIUS and other similar foreign investment review body, agency or governmental entity, as applicable
49. Compliance with tax law (including FATCA and partnership audit rules)
50. Counterparty risks due to derivative contracts
51. Risks of fraud
52. Delayed construction arising in Investments in new development
53. Acquisition of sub-performing real estate loans and participations
54. Risks of distressed securities being subject to workouts, restructurings or bankruptcy
55. Risks of investing in publicly-traded securities
56. Risks associated with subordinated debt and real estate investment activities generally, including potential direct ownership of real estate as a result of foreclosure or similar events.
57. Interest rate, credit, reinvestment and general market risks related to Investments in securities
58. Benchmark reform and the impact on SOFR or other benchmark rates
59. Risks associated with Investments held in REITs
60. Risks related to structured products, including commercial mortgage-backed securities
61. Risks associated with distributions in-kind
62. Due diligence may not reveal all factors affecting an Investment and may not reveal weaknesses in underlying loans securing such Investments in all circumstances
63. Nature of mezzanine and other real-estate related debt Investments
64. Risks specific to construction, renovation and transition lending activities
65. Risks arising from syndicating real estate debt

- 66. Investments in commercial mortgage and mezzanine loans that are non-recourse in nature
- 67. Investments in collateralized loan obligations with limited recourse liability
- 68. Risks arising from mortgage-backed securities
- 69. Failure of servicers to effectively service loans
- 70. Risks related to rating agencies
- 71. Risks related to bridge financings
- 72. Risks related to seller financings
- 73. Sharing and use of “big data” and other information
- 74. Risks related to data privacy legislation and regulation in applicable jurisdictions
- 75. Future investment techniques and instruments
- 76. Social and political unrest / terrorist activities / war
- 77. Natural disasters
- 78. Availability of insurance against certain catastrophic losses
- 79. Risks relating to due diligence of Investments
- 80. Risks relating to technological and scientific innovations, including artificial intelligence
- 81. Platform investments
- 82. Risk of default by Investors
- 83. Risk related to managing growth of business
- 84. Credit ratings
- 85. Restrictive covenants
- 86. Various conflicts of interests in investments and transactions
- 87. Intellectual property issues
- 88. Investments in student housing and dormitories
- 89. Weather and Climate Change Risk
- 90. Antitrust Risk
- 91. Proposed changes to Custody Rule
- 92. Base Erosion, Profit Shifting and Related Measures

93. Anti-Tax Avoidance Directives

94. DAC6

95. Risk of default by Investors

Prospective Investors are advised to review the applicable Client's Offering Materials for a more extensive description of the applicable investment strategies and the risks of its investment program.

Stock markets, bond markets and real estate markets fluctuate substantially over time. Performance of any Investment is not guaranteed. As a result, there is a risk of loss of the Investments managed by the Adviser that are out of its control. The Adviser cannot guarantee any level of performance or that the Clients will not experience a substantial or complete loss of their Investment. There is no assurance that the Clients will be able to generate returns or that the returns will be commensurate with the risks inherent in their investment strategy. The marketability and value of any Investment will depend upon many factors beyond the control of the Adviser. The expenses of the Clients may exceed their income, and an Investor in a Client could lose the entire amount of its contributed capital. Therefore, an Investor should only invest in a Client if the Investor can withstand a total loss of its investment. The past investment performance of the Clients cannot be taken to guarantee future results of the Clients or any of their Investments.

Events involving limited liquidity, defaults, non-performance of contractual obligations, or other adverse developments that affect financial institutions, transactional counterparties or other companies in the financial services industry or that affect the financial services industry generally, or concerns or rumors about any events of these kinds or other similar risks, have in the past led and could in the future lead to market-wide liquidity problems. Notably, recent bank closures in the United States and Europe have caused uncertainty for financial services companies and fear of instability in the global financial system generally. Recent developments, such as the UBS Group AG's acquisition of Credit Suisse Group AG and JPMorgan Chase Bank's assumption of all of First Republic Bank's deposits and substantially all of its assets, and any similar future developments can be expected to also have other implications for broader economic and monetary policy including interest rate policy, and could impact the financial condition of banks and other financial institutions globally. In addition, certain financial institutions – in particular, smaller and/or regional banks but also certain global, systemically important banks – have experienced volatile stock prices and significant losses in their equity value, and there is concern that depositors at these institutions have withdrawn, or will withdraw in the future, significant sums from their accounts at these institutions. Notwithstanding intervention by U.S. governmental agencies to

stabilize the banking sector and to protect the uninsured depositors of banks that have recently closed, there is no guarantee that the uninsured depositors of a financial institution that closes (which depositors could include a Client and/or its Portfolio Entities) will be made whole or, even if made whole, that such deposits will become available for withdrawal in short order. There is a risk that other banks, or other financial institutions, will be similarly impacted, and it is uncertain what steps (if any) financial regulators and central banks would take in such circumstances. As a consequence, for example, a Client and/or its Portfolio Entities could be delayed or prevented from accessing money, making any required payments under their own debt or other contractual obligations (including making payroll obligations) or pursuing key strategic initiatives, and investors could be impacted in their ability to honor capital calls and/or receive distributions. In addition, such bank failures or instability could affect, in certain circumstances, the ability of both affiliated and unaffiliated joint venture partners, lenders, co-lenders, syndicate lenders or other parties to undertake and/or execute transactions with a Client, which in turn would result in fewer investment opportunities being made available to the Client, result in shortfalls or defaults under existing investments, or impact the Client's ability to provide additional follow-on support to Portfolio Entities. In addition, in the event that a financial institution that provides credit facilities and/or other financing to a Client or its Portfolio Entities closes or experiences distress, there can be no assurance that such financial institution will honor its obligations or that the Client or such Portfolio Entities will be able to secure replacement financing or capabilities at all or on similar terms and/or in a timely manner. Uncertainty caused by recent bank failures – and general concern regarding the financial health and outlook for other financial institutions – could have an overall negative effect on banking systems and financial markets generally. For the foregoing reasons, there can be no assurances that conditions in the banking sector and in global financial markets will not worsen and/or adversely affect a Client, its Portfolio Entities or their respective financial performance.

The Clients will maintain funds with one or more banks or other depository institutions ("Banking Institutions"), which include US and non-US Banking Institutions, and the Clients will enter into credit facilities or have other financial relationships with Banking Institutions. The distress, impairment or failure of one or more Banking Institutions with whom the Clients, their Portfolio Entities and/or the Adviser transact could inhibit the ability of the Clients or their Portfolio Entities to access depository accounts or lines of credit at all or in a timely manner. In such cases, it is possible that the Clients would be forced to delay or forgo investments or to call capital when it is not desirable to do so, resulting in lower performance for the Clients. In the event of such a failure of a Banking Institution where the Clients or one or more of their Portfolio Entities holds

depository accounts (including accounts used for depositing principal and interest payments from borrowers on loans owned by the Clients), access to such accounts could be restricted and U.S. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (“FDIC”) protection will generally not be available for balances in excess of amounts insured by the FDIC (and similar considerations could apply to Banking Institutions in other jurisdictions not subject to FDIC protection). In such instances, it is possible that the Clients and their affected Portfolio Entities would not recover such excess, uninsured amounts and instead, would only have an unsecured claim against the Banking Institution and participate *pro rata* with other unsecured creditors in the residual value of the Banking Institution’s assets. The loss of amounts maintained with a Banking Institution or the inability to access such amounts for a period of time, even if ultimately recovered, could be materially adverse to the Clients or their Portfolio Entities. One or more investors or the Adviser could also be similarly affected and unable to fund capital calls, further delaying or deferring new investments. In addition, the Adviser will not always be able to identify all potential solvency or stress concerns with respect to a Banking Institution or to transfer assets from one bank to another in a timely manner in the event a Banking Institution comes under stress or fails.

Additionally, there can be no assurances that a Client or its Portfolio Entities will establish banking relationships with multiple financial institutions. The Clients and their Portfolio Entities are expected to be subject to contractual obligations to maintain all or a portion of their respective assets with a particular bank (including, without limitation, in connection with a credit facility or other financing transaction). Moreover, the Advisers Act custody rule generally prohibits the Adviser from transferring Client funds to an account of the Adviser or its related persons. Circumstances could arise where such a bank shows signs of distress or impairment and Blackstone and Portfolio Entities would need to decide between (1) moving assets to another bank in breach of such contractual obligations or to an account of the Adviser or its related persons in potential violation of the Advisers Act custody rule (thereby exposing the Clients or Portfolio Entities to breach of contract liability and/or regulatory risk), on the one hand, and (2) honoring the contractual obligations and adhering to the Advisers Act custody rule but running the risk of losing the assets, on the other hand. Either decision could have a material adverse effect on the Clients or Portfolio Entities.

Blackstone’s operations are highly dependent on its technology platforms, and Blackstone relies heavily on its analytical, financial, accounting, communications and other data processing systems. Blackstone’s systems face ongoing cybersecurity threats and attacks, which could result in the loss of confidentiality, integrity or availability of such systems and the data held by such systems. Attacks on Blackstone’s systems could involve, and in some instances have in the past involved,

attempts intended to obtain unauthorized access to Blackstone's, the Clients' or Other Blackstone Vehicles' and their underlying investors' proprietary information, destroy data or disable, degrade or sabotage Blackstone's systems, or divert or otherwise steal funds, including through the introduction of computer viruses, "phishing" attempts and other forms of social engineering. Attacks on Blackstone's systems could also involve ransomware or other forms of cyber extortion. Cyberattacks and other data security threats could originate from a wide variety of external sources, including cyber criminals, nation state hackers, hacktivists and other outside parties. Cyberattacks and other security threats could also originate from the malicious or accidental acts of insiders, such as employees, consultants, independent contractors or other service providers.

There has been an increase in the frequency and sophistication of the cyber and data security threats Blackstone faces, with attacks ranging from those common to businesses generally to those that are more advanced and persistent, which could target Blackstone because, as an alternative asset management firm, Blackstone holds a significant amount of confidential and sensitive information about the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities, potential investments and investors. As a result, Blackstone could face a heightened risk of a security breach or disruption with respect to this information. There can be no assurance that measures Blackstone takes to ensure the integrity of its systems will provide adequate protection, especially because cyberattack techniques are continually evolving and it is possible cyberattacks will persist undetected over extended periods of time and/or will not be mitigated in a timely manner to prevent or minimize the impact of an attack on Blackstone, the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities, potential investments or investors. If Blackstone's systems or those of third-party service providers are compromised either as a result of malicious activity or through inadvertent transmittal or other loss of data, do not operate properly or are disabled, or Blackstone fails to provide the appropriate regulatory or other notifications in a timely manner, Blackstone could suffer financial loss, increased costs, a disruption of Blackstone's businesses, liability to Blackstone's counterparties, the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective investors, regulatory intervention or reputational damage. It can be expected that costs related to certain cyber or other data security threats or disruptions will not be fully insured or indemnified by other means.

In addition, Blackstone could also suffer losses in connection with updates to, or the failure to timely update, the technology platforms on which it relies. Blackstone is reliant on third-party service providers for certain aspects of its business, including for the administration of certain Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles, as well as for certain technology platforms, including cloud-based services. These third-party service providers could also face ongoing cybersecurity

threats and compromises of their systems and as a result, unauthorized individuals could gain, and in some past instances have gained, access to certain confidential data.

Cybersecurity and data protection have become top priorities for regulators around the world. Many jurisdictions in which Blackstone operates have laws and regulations relating to privacy, data protection and cybersecurity, including, as examples, the General Data Protection Regulation (“GDPR”) in the European Union, the U.K. Data Protection Act, and the California Privacy Rights Act (“CPRA”). In addition, in February 2022, the SEC proposed rules regarding registered investment advisers’ and funds’ cybersecurity risk management requiring the adoption and implementation of cybersecurity policies and procedures, enhanced disclosure in regulatory filings and prompt reporting of certain cybersecurity incidents to the SEC, which, if adopted, could increase Blackstone’s compliance costs and potential regulatory liability related to cybersecurity. Some jurisdictions have also enacted or proposed laws requiring companies to notify individuals and government agencies of data security breaches involving certain types of personal data.

Breaches in Blackstone’s security or in the security of third-party service providers, whether malicious in nature or through inadvertent transmittal or other loss of data, could potentially jeopardize Blackstone’s, its employees’, the Clients’, Other Blackstone Vehicles’, Portfolio Entities’ or their respective investors’ or counterparties’ confidential, proprietary and other information processed and stored in, and transmitted through, Blackstone’s computer systems and networks, or otherwise cause interruptions or malfunctions in Blackstone’s, its employees’, the Clients’, Other Blackstone Vehicles’, Portfolio Entities’, their respective investors’ or counterparties’ or third parties’ business and operations, which could result in significant financial losses, increased costs, liability to the Clients’ and Other Blackstone Vehicles’ Investors and other counterparties, regulatory intervention and reputational damage. Furthermore, if Blackstone fails to comply with the relevant laws and regulations or fails to provide the appropriate regulatory or other notifications of breach in a timely matter, it could result in regulatory investigations and penalties, which could lead to negative publicity and reputational harm and could cause the Clients’ and Other Blackstone Vehicles’ Investors and clients to lose confidence in the effectiveness of Blackstone’s security measures and Blackstone more generally.

The Clients’ and Other Blackstone Vehicles’ Portfolio Entities also rely on data processing systems and the secure processing, storage and transmission of information, including payment and health information, which in some instances are provided by third parties. A disruption or compromise of these systems could have a material adverse effect on the value of these businesses. Certain Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles could invest in strategic assets having a national or

regional profile or in infrastructure, the nature of which could expose them to a greater risk of being subject to a terrorist attack or a security breach than other assets or businesses. Such an event could have material adverse consequences on Blackstone's investment or assets of the same type or could require Portfolio Entities to increase preventative security measures or expand insurance coverage.

Finally, the Clients' and Other Blackstone Vehicles' portfolio companies' technology platforms, data and intellectual property are also subject to a heightened risk of theft or compromise to the extent Blackstone or the Clients' and Other Blackstone Vehicles' portfolio companies engage in operations outside the United States, in particular in those jurisdictions that do not have comparable levels of protection of proprietary information and assets such as intellectual property, trademarks, trade secrets, know-how and customer information and records. In addition, Blackstone and the Clients' and Other Blackstone Vehicles' Portfolio Entities could be required to compromise protections or forego rights to technology, data and intellectual property in order to operate in or access markets in a foreign jurisdiction. Any such direct or indirect compromise of these assets could have a material adverse impact on Blackstone and the Clients' and Other Blackstone Vehicles' portfolio companies.

The U.S. and other developed economies are experiencing higher-than-normal inflation rates. It remains uncertain whether substantial inflation in the U.S. and other developed economies will be sustained over an extended period of time and how significantly it will impact the U.S. or other economies. Inflation and rapid fluctuations in inflation rates have had in the past, and could in the future have, negative effects on economies and financial markets, particularly in emerging economies. For example, if a Portfolio Entity is unable to increase its revenue in times of higher inflation, its profitability will likely be adversely affected, including, without limitation, as a result of increased operating costs. Portfolio Entities could have revenues linked to some extent to inflation, including, without limitation, by government regulations and contractual arrangements. Nevertheless, as inflation rises, even if a Portfolio Entity earns more revenue, it will typically also incur higher expenses. Furthermore, as inflation declines, it is possible that a Portfolio Entity will not be able to reduce expenses commensurate with any resulting reduction in revenue. Additionally, wages and prices of inputs increase during periods of inflation, which can negatively impact returns on investments. In an attempt to stabilize inflation, certain countries have imposed and could continue to impose wage and price controls or otherwise intervene in the economy, and certain central banks have raised and could continue to raise interest rates.

Past governmental efforts to curb inflation have also involved more drastic economic measures that have had a materially adverse effect on the level of economic activity in the countries where such measures were employed, and similar governmental efforts could be taken in the future to curb inflation and could have similar effects. Certain countries, including the U.S., have recently seen increased levels of inflation and there can be no assurance that inflation will not become a more serious problem in the future and have a material adverse impact on Funds' returns.

Recent technological developments in artificial intelligence, including machine learning technology and generative artificial intelligence such as ChatGPT (collectively, "AI Technologies"), pose risks to the Adviser, the Clients, and the Portfolio Entities (including Portfolio Entities of the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles expected to provide services to Clients). Any of these technological innovations could result in harm to the Adviser or the Portfolio Entities, significantly disrupt the market in which they operate and subject them to increased competition, which could materially and adversely affect their business, financial condition and operations, and have an adverse impact on Clients.

The Adviser, the Clients, and the Portfolio Entities intend to avail themselves of the benefits, insights and efficiencies that are available through the use of AI Technologies. However, the use of AI Technologies presents a number of risks that cannot be fully mitigated. For example, AI Technologies are highly reliant on the collection and analysis of large amounts of data and complex algorithms, but it is not possible or practicable to incorporate all relevant data into models that AI Technologies utilize to operate. Moreover, with the use of AI Technologies, there often exists a lack of transparency of how inputs are converted to outputs and the Adviser cannot fully validate this process and its accuracy. The accuracy of such inputs and the resulting impact on the results of AI Technologies cannot be verified and could result in a diminished quality of work product that includes or is derived from inaccurate or erroneous information. Further, inherent bias in the construction of AI Technologies can lead to a wide array of risks, including but not limited to accuracy, efficacy and reputational harm. Therefore, it is expected that data in such models will contain a degree of inaccuracy and error, and potentially materially so, and that such data, as well as algorithms in use, could otherwise be inadequate or flawed, which would be likely to degrade the effectiveness of AI Technologies and could adversely impact the Adviser, the Clients, or Portfolio Entities and investments to the extent they rely on the work product of such AI Technologies. At the same time, any interruption of access to or use of AI Technologies could impede the ability of the Adviser, the Clients, and Portfolio Entities to generate information and analysis that could be beneficial to them and their business, financial condition and results of operations. AI Technologies will likely also be competitive with certain business activities or

increase the obsolescence of certain organizations' products or services, particularly as AI Technologies improve. This could also have an adverse impact on Portfolio Entities, the Adviser, and the Clients.

AI Technologies can also be misused or misappropriated by third parties and/or employees of the Adviser or Portfolio Entities. For example, there is a risk that a user will input confidential information, including material non-public information, or personal identifiable information, into AI Technologies applications, resulting in such information becoming part of a dataset that is accessible by other third-party AI Technologies applications and users, including competitors of the Adviser, the Clients, and their Portfolio Entities. Moreover, the Adviser, the Clients, and Portfolio Entities will not necessarily be in a position to control the manner in which third-party AI Technologies are developed or maintained or the manner in which third parties use AI Technologies to provide services, even where they have sought contractual protections. The use of AI Technologies, including potential inadvertent disclosure of confidential information or personal identifiable information of the Adviser, Clients, or Portfolio Entities, could also lead to legal and regulatory investigations and enforcement actions. Relatedly, the Adviser, the Clients and Portfolio Entities could be exposed to risks to the extent third-party service providers or any counterparties use AI Technologies in their business activities.

The Adviser expects to be involved in the collection of such data and/or development of proprietary AI Technologies in the ordinary course. To this end, the Clients will pay and bear all expenses and fees associated with developing and maintaining such technology, including the costs of any professional service providers, subscriptions and related software and hardware, server infrastructure and hosting, internal Blackstone expenses, fees, charges and/or related costs incurred, charged or specifically attributed or allocated (based on methodologies determined by Blackstone) to the Clients, the Adviser or their affiliates in connection with such AI Technologies. See "Expenses" in **Item 5** herein.

Regulations related to AI Technologies could also impose certain obligations on organizations, and the costs of monitoring and responding to such regulations, as well the consequences of non-compliance, could have an adverse effect on Blackstone, the Adviser, the Clients, and Portfolio Entities. For example, the EU is in the process of introducing a new regulation application to certain AI Technologies and the data used to train, test and deploy them (the "EU AI Act"). Once in effect, the EU AI Act would impose material requirements on both the providers and deployers of AI Technologies, with infringement punishable by sanctions of up to 7% of annual worldwide turnover or EUR 35 million (whichever is higher) for the most serious breaches. (See also the

description of the Predictive Data Proposal above.) Complying with the EU AI Act and the Predictive Data Proposal, once effective, and other regulations related to AI Technologies, could involve material compliance costs and/or adversely affect the operations or results of Blackstone, the Adviser, and Portfolio Entities, and have an adverse impact on the Clients.

AI Technologies and their current and potential future applications, including in the private investment and financial sectors, as well as the legal and regulatory frameworks within which they operate, continue to rapidly evolve, and it is not possible to predict the full extent of current or future risks related thereto.

Certain countries have been susceptible to epidemics, which can be designated as pandemics by world health authorities, most recently a novel and highly contagious form of coronavirus (“COVID-19”). The outbreak of such epidemics or pandemics, together with any resulting restrictions on travel or quarantines imposed, has had and could continue to have a negative impact on the economy and business activity globally (including in the countries in which the Clients invest), and thereby can be expected to adversely affect the performance of the Clients’ investments. Furthermore, the rapid development of epidemics or pandemics could preclude prediction as to their ultimate adverse impact on economic and market conditions, and, as a result, presents material uncertainty and risk with respect to the Clients, the performance of their investments, Portfolio Entity operations, and the ability of the Clients to achieve their investment objectives.

From 2020 to 2022, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, many countries instituted quarantine restrictions and took other measures to limit the spread of the virus. This resulted in labor shortages and disruption of supply chains and contributed to prolonged disruption of the global economy. It is difficult to predict the extent to which the ripple effects of the COVID-19 pandemic will continue to be felt and adversely affect the Clients’ investments. In addition, a widespread reoccurrence of COVID-19 (including any new or variant outbreaks) or another pandemic or global health crisis could increase the possibility of periods of increased restrictions on business operations, labor shortages and disruption of supply chains, which could have a significant adverse impact on the Clients’ and Portfolio Entities’ business, financial condition, results of operations, liquidity and prospective investments and exacerbate many of the other risks discussed herein.

In the event of another pandemic or global health crisis like the COVID-19 pandemic, Portfolio Entities could experience decreased revenues and earnings, which could adversely impact the Adviser’s ability to realize value from such investments and in turn reduce the Clients’

performance. Investments in certain sectors, including hospitality, location-based entertainment, retail, travel, leisure and events, office and residential, and in certain geographies could be particularly negatively impacted, as was the case during the COVID-19 pandemic. Portfolio Entities could also face increased credit and liquidity risk due to volatility in financial markets, reduced revenue streams and limited access or higher cost of financing, which could result in potential impairment of the Clients' investments. In addition, it can be expected that borrowers of loans, notes and other credit instruments in the Clients' portfolios will be unable to meet some or all of their principal or interest payment obligations or satisfy financial covenants, resulting in a decrease in value of the Clients' investments.

A pandemic or global health crisis can be expected to also pose enhanced operational risks. For example, the Adviser's employees could become sick or otherwise unable to perform their duties for an extended period, and extended public health restrictions and remote working arrangements can be expected to impact employee morale, integration of new employees and preservation of Blackstone's culture. Remote working environments could also be less secure and more susceptible to hacking attacks, including phishing and social engineering attempts. Moreover, the Adviser's third-party service providers could be impacted by an inability to perform due to pandemic-related restrictions or by failures of, or attacks on, their technology platforms. Additionally, restrictions on immigration and processing of visas and other work permits could affect the work force of the Clients' Portfolio Entities, some of which rely on foreign talent as an important part of their work force, which could have a material adverse impact on their ability to implement their business plans.

In connection with a public health emergency like the COVID-19 pandemic, the Adviser determined in the past, and could in the future determine, in its discretion, that it is most effective and/or efficient to use private air and/or charter travel due to travel restrictions and/or health and safety considerations, including to and from locations where the Adviser's personnel are currently living (even if different than where the Adviser has historically had offices). The cost of such private air or charter travel, which could be increased due to the pandemic, shall be an expense of the Clients subject to and in accordance with the Adviser's policies and the Clients' organizational documents.

As economies and financial markets worldwide become increasingly interconnected, the likelihood increases that geopolitical conflicts in one country or region will adversely impact markets or issuers in other countries or regions, including in ways that are difficult to predict or foresee. The impacts of these conflicts or events can be exacerbated by failures of governments

and societies to respond adequately to a geopolitical conflict and subsequent emerging events or threats. For example, local or regional armed conflicts have led to significant sanctions by the U.S., EU, and other countries against certain countries and persons and companies connected with certain countries. Such armed conflicts and sanctions and other local or regional developments can exacerbate global supply and pricing issues, particularly those related to oil and gas, and result in other adverse developments and circumstances, as well as increased general uncertainty, for markets, economies, issuers, businesses, and societies both globally and in specific jurisdictions. Although these types of conflicts have occurred and could also occur in the future, it is difficult to predict when similar conflicts affecting the U.S. or global financial markets and economies will occur, the effects of such events or conditions, potential retaliations in response to sanctions or similar actions, and the duration or ultimate impact of those conflicts. Any such conflicts could have a significant adverse impact on the operations, risk profile, and value of the Clients and their Portfolio Entities, with or without direct exposure to the specific geographies, markets, countries or persons involved in an armed conflict or subject to sanctions.

On February 24, 2022, Russian troops began a full-scale invasion of Ukraine and, as of the date of this Brochure, the countries remain in active armed conflict. Around the same time, the United States, the United Kingdom, the European Union, and several other nations announced a broad array of new or expanded sanctions, export controls, and other measures against Russia, Russia-backed separatist regions in Ukraine, and certain banks, companies, government officials, and other individuals in Russia and Belarus.

On October 7th, 2023, Hamas (an organization which governs Gaza, and which has been designated as a terrorist organization by the United States, the United Kingdom, the European Union, Australia and other nations), committed a terrorist attack within Israel (the “October 7th Attacks”). Israel responded by initiating a full-scale invasion of Gaza and, as of the date of this Brochure, Israel and Hamas remain in active armed conflict. It is possible the armed conflict will expand and ultimately more actively involve the United States, Lebanon (and/or Hezbollah), Syria, Iran and/or other countries or terrorist organizations, any of which will exacerbate the risks described above. In response to the October 7th Attacks, the United States has announced sanctions and other measures against Hamas-related persons and organizations, and the United States (and other countries) can be expected to announce further sanctions related to the ongoing conflict in the future.

The aforementioned ongoing conflicts and the measures taken in response have had and could be expected to continue having a negative impact on the economy and business activity globally

(including in the countries in which the Clients invest), and therefore could adversely affect the performance of the Clients' investments. The severity and duration of the conflict and its future impact on global economic and market conditions (including, for example, oil prices) are impossible to predict, and as a result, present material uncertainty and risk with respect to the Clients, the performance of their investments, Portfolio Entity operations, and the ability of the Clients to achieve their investment objectives. Similar risks exist to the extent that any Portfolio Entities, service providers and vendors of Blackstone, the Clients and any Portfolio Entities, or certain other parties have material operations or assets in the countries where such conflicts are taking place or in the immediate surrounding areas.

Other geopolitical conflicts could arise in the future and such conflicts could have material adverse consequences on Blackstone, the Clients and their Portfolio Entities.

Furthermore, if after subscribing to a Fund, any investor or any beneficial owner thereof is included on a list of prohibited entities and individuals maintained by a relevant regulatory and/or government entity, including OFAC, or under similar EU and UK Regulations or under other applicable law, or are operationally based or domiciled in a country or territory in relation to which current sanctions have been issued by the U.S., United Nations, EU, UK, Luxembourg, the Cayman Islands and/or other applicable jurisdictions, the Fund would likely be required to cease any further dealings with such investor or freeze any dealings with the interests or accounts of the investor (e.g., by prohibiting payments by or to the investor or restricting or suspending dealings with the interests or accounts) or freeze the assets of the Client until such sanctions are lifted or a license is sought under applicable law to continue dealings. Clients could further have to report to the relevant competent authorities the implementation of any restrictive measures carried out pursuant to international financial sanctions. For the avoidance of doubt, Blackstone has the sole discretion to determine the remedy if an investor is included on a sanctions list and is under no obligation to seek a license or any other relief to continue dealing with such investor. Although Blackstone expends significant effort and resources to comply with the sanctions regimes in the countries where it operates, one of these rules could be violated by Blackstone's or a Fund's activities or Investors, which would adversely affect such Fund.

The Adviser is subject to regulation by the SEC. In recent years, the SEC staff's stated examination priorities and published observations from examinations have included, among other things, private equity firms' collection of fees and allocation of expenses, their marketing and valuation practices, custody practices, allocation of investment opportunities, terms agreed to in side letters and similar arrangements with investors, consistency of firms' practices with their disclosures,

handling of material non-public information and insider trading, use of affiliated service providers, adviser-led restructurings, ESG investing, purported waivers or limitations of fiduciary duties and the existence of, and adherence to, policies and procedures with respect to conflicts of interest.

In August 2023, the SEC voted to adopt rules and amendments to existing rules under the Advisers Act (collectively, the “Private Funds Rules”) specifically related to investment advisers and their activities with respect to the private funds they advise. In particular, the Private Funds Rules will, among other things, (i) impose quarterly reporting by private funds to investors that is required to contain detailed information on performance, investments, adviser-compensation, fees and expenses, and capital inflows and outflows; (ii) require registered investment advisers to obtain an annual audit for all private funds that meet the requirements of the existing Advisers Act custody rule; (iii) require registered investment advisers to obtain a fairness or valuation opinion and make certain disclosures in connection with adviser-led secondary transactions (also known as GP-led secondaries); (iv) restrict advisers from engaging in certain practices unless they satisfy certain disclosure requirements and, in some cases, consent requirements, including, without limitation, (a) charging regulatory or compliance fees or expenses, or fees or expenses associated with an examination, of the Adviser or its related persons to private fund clients, (b) seeking reimbursement for certain investigation-related expenses, (c) reducing the amount of the General Partner’s clawback by actual, potential or hypothetical taxes applicable to the General Partner or its employees, (d) borrowing from a private fund, or (e) making non-*pro rata* investment-related expense allocations; (v) restrict advisers from providing certain forms of preferential treatment to private fund investors related to liquidity and information rights if they would be reasonably expected to have a material negative effect on other investors and otherwise require advisers to make certain disclosures regarding preferential treatment of investors; and (vi) prohibit an adviser from having a private fund bear the costs of any fees or expenses related to an investigation resulting in a court or governmental authority imposing a sanction for violating the Advisers Act. The Private Funds Rules also impose additional requirements on advisers to document their annual compliance reviews in writing and retain additional required books and records relating to private funds they advise. Although the legality of the Private Funds Rules is currently being challenged in federal court, it is uncertain whether this legal challenge will succeed.

While the full impact of the Private Funds Rules cannot yet be determined, it is generally anticipated that these rules will have a significant effect on private fund advisers and their operations, including by increasing regulatory and compliance costs and burdens and heightening the risk of regulatory inquiries and actions (including public regulatory sanctions) and limiting the Adviser’s ability or willingness to negotiate certain types of individualized terms with investors in

the Clients or similar pools of assets, which can be expected to cause certain investors to not subscribe to the Funds who otherwise might have. The Clients are expected to bear (either directly or indirectly through their Portfolio Entities) certain regulatory and compliance costs relating to the Private Funds Rules, which could include (without limitation): fees, costs and expenses incurred in connection with preparing and distributing to investors the quarterly statements required by the rules; soliciting and obtaining from investors any consents required by the rules; providing investors with any notices or disclosures required by the rules; and obtaining and distributing to investors fairness or valuation opinions in connection with adviser-led secondary transactions (including fees paid to third parties engaged by the Adviser or the Client to perform or assist with such actions or processes), which fees, costs and expenses could be expected to be material.

In addition, in July 2023, the SEC proposed new predictive data analytics rules (the “Predictive Data Proposal”), which would require broker-dealers and registered investment advisers to (1) identify certain covered technologies (defined to include any analytical, technological, or computational function, algorithm, model, correlation matrix, or similar method or process that optimizes for, predicts, guides, forecasts, or directs investment-related behaviors or outcomes, and not limited to “artificial intelligence”, algorithmic trading or machine learning processes) which present or could present conflicts of interest in direct or indirect interactions (including exercising investment discretion, managing investments, providing information or soliciting new investment) with investors (including investors in pooled investment vehicles) and (2) eliminate or neutralize (rather than just disclose) such conflicts. Advisers using covered technologies would be required to adopt policies and procedures reasonably designed to prevent violations of the proposed rule, detailing the processes for identifying and evaluating covered technologies and conflicts of interest and for eliminating or neutralizing the effect of such conflicts, and advisers would also be subject to associated annual review and recordkeeping requirements (such as, maintaining a record of all covered technologies used in investor interactions, including the date of first use and each date on which the technology is materially modified). If adopted, the proposed rule could expose the Adviser to additional regulatory uncertainty, liability and increased compliance and other costs related to procuring, utilizing and monitoring covered technologies used in direct or indirect interactions with investors (including the costs of onboarding service and technology providers).

If adopted, the Predictive Data Proposal could also cause the Adviser to limit or discontinue its use of certain covered technologies (even in cases where such technologies benefit the Clients or investors, including in connection with the Adviser’s management of investments in Portfolio Entities) in order to: eliminate or neutralize conflicts associated therewith or to avoid the costs or

burdens of complying with the rule with respect to such technologies; limit certain direct or indirect interactions with investors that involve the use of a covered technology; or otherwise alter how it integrates covered technologies into its investment management services and related processes, which could be detrimental to the Clients and their investors, particularly given the proposed rule's breadth.

In February 2023, the SEC proposed extensive amendments to the Advisers Act custody rule (the "Proposed Safeguarding Rule"), which would, if adopted as currently proposed, extend the existing custody rule's requirements beyond cash and securities to any positions held in an advisory client's accounts (including assets such as real estate, artwork and rights to music catalogs); require registered investment advisers to enter into new or amended written agreements with each qualified custodian ("QC") used to maintain client assets and obtain written assurances from that QC related to, among other matters, indemnification of client losses and the QC's standard of care; require that a QC maintains possession or control of client assets, whereby the QC is required to participate in and effectuate any change of beneficial ownership of the assets, except with respect to certain privately offered securities and physical assets that the adviser reasonably determines (and documents in writing) cannot be maintained by a QC in a manner in which such QC can maintain possession or control of those assets. If adopted, the proposed amendments could expose the Adviser to additional regulatory liability, increase compliance costs and costs related to custodying the Clients' assets (including costs of identifying and negotiating with new and existing QCs), limit the number of QCs available (or make it more costly for such QCs to operate, which might result in higher expenses to the Clients) and impose limitations or requirements on certain assets, which could result in the Adviser avoiding making certain types of investments on behalf of the Clients.

In May 2022, the SEC proposed ESG-related rules for investment advisers and for 1940 Act funds that address, among other things, enhanced ESG-related disclosure requirements concerning the incorporation of ESG factors in their investment activities (the "Proposed ESG Rules"). This could increase the risk that the Adviser will be perceived as, or accused of, greenwashing (*i.e.*, the making of inaccurate or misleading statements related to ESG). Such perception or accusation could damage the Adviser's reputation, result in litigation or regulatory actions, and adversely impact the Adviser's ability to raise capital and attract new investors.

The SEC also adopted amendments to Form PF in May 2023 and in February 2024, which impose additional reporting obligations on registered investment advisers with respect to the private funds they manage (the "Form PF Amendments"). In addition, the SEC has also recently proposed, and

can be expected to propose, additional new rules and rule amendments under the Advisers Act in respect of cybersecurity risk governance for advisers and broker-dealers, the outsourcing of certain functions to service providers and changes to Regulation S-P (together with the Proposed ESG Rules, the Proposed Safeguarding Rule and the Predictive Data Proposal, the “Proposed Rules”).

The Private Funds Rules and the Form PF Amendments, as well as the Proposed Rules, to the extent adopted, are expected to result in material alterations to how Blackstone and the Adviser operate their business and/or the Clients, as well as the Adviser’s implementation of the Clients’ investment strategy, to significantly increase compliance burdens and associated costs (which, to the extent permitted under the Clients’ organizational documents, and consistent with applicable law, including the Private Funds Rules (once they become effective), will be treated as Fund Expenses), and to possibly restrict the ability of the Adviser to receive certain expense reimbursements or allocate certain expenses in certain circumstances. This regulatory complexity, in turn, could increase the need for broader insurance coverage by fund managers and increase such costs and expenses charged to the Clients and their investors, if permitted. Certain of the proposed rules could also increase the cost of entering into and maintaining relationships with service providers to the Adviser and the Clients and/or limit the number of service providers in a manner detrimental to the Adviser or the Clients. In addition, these amendments could increase the risk of exposure of the Clients, the Adviser, and the Manager to additional regulatory scrutiny, litigation, censure and penalties for noncompliance or perceived noncompliance, which in turn would be expected to adversely (potentially materially) affect the Adviser, Blackstone, and the Clients’ reputation, and to negatively impact the Clients in conducting their business. There can be no assurance that the Private Funds Rules and any other new SEC or other regulatory rules and amendments will not have a material adverse effect on the Adviser, Blackstone, the Clients, their investments, and/or the Clients’ investors or that such rules or amendments will not materially reduce returns to Client investors.

Global climate change is widely considered to be a significant threat to the global economy. Clients’ Investments may face risks from the physical effects of climate change, such as risks posed by increasing frequency or severity of extreme weather events and rising sea levels and temperatures. Additionally, the Paris Agreement and other initiatives by international, federal, state and local policymakers and regulatory authorities as well as private actors seeking to reduce or mitigate the effects of GHG emissions may expose certain assets to so-called “transition risks” in addition to physical risks, such as: (i) political and policy risks (*e.g.*, changing regulatory incentives and legal requirements, including with respect to GHG emissions, that could result in increased costs or changes in business operations); (ii) regulatory and litigation risks (*e.g.*,

changing legal requirements that could result in increased permitting and compliance costs, changes in business operations, or the discontinuance of certain operations, and litigation seeking monetary or injunctive relief related to climate impacts); (iii) technology and market risks (*e.g.*, declining market for assets, products and services seen as GHG intensive or less effective than alternatives in reducing GHG emissions) and (iv) reputational risks (*e.g.*, risks tied to changing customer or community perceptions of an asset's relative contribution to GHG emissions). Clients cannot rule out the possibility that climate risks, including changes in weather and climate patterns, could result in unanticipated delays or expenses and, under certain circumstances, could prevent completion of investment activities once undertaken, any of which could have a material adverse effect on an Investment or a Client.

Rapidly developing and changing global data security and privacy laws and regulations could increase compliance costs and subject Blackstone to enforcement risks and reputational damage.

Blackstone, the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities are subject to various risks and costs associated with the collection, storage, transmission and other processing of personally identifiable information (“PII”) and other sensitive and confidential information. This data is wide ranging and relates to Blackstone's investors, employees, contractors and other counterparties and third parties.

Blackstone's data security and privacy compliance obligations impose significant compliance costs on Blackstone, which could increase significantly as laws and regulations evolve globally. Blackstone's compliance obligations include those relating to U.S. laws and regulations, including, without limitation, state regulations such as the CPRA, which provides for enhanced consumer protections for California residents, a private right of action for data breaches and statutory fines and damages for data breaches or other California Consumer Privacy Act (“CCPA”) violations, as well as a requirement of “reasonable” cybersecurity. At the U.S. federal level, the SEC has proposed changes to Regulation S-P, which would require, among other things, that investment companies, broker-dealers, and SEC-registered investment advisers notify affected individuals of a breach involving their personal financial information within 30 days of becoming aware that it occurred.

Blackstone's compliance obligations also include those relating to foreign data collection and privacy laws, including, for example, the GDPR and U.K. Data Protection Act, as well as laws in many other jurisdictions globally, including Switzerland, Japan, Hong Kong, Singapore, India,

China, Australia, Canada and Brazil. Global laws in this area are rapidly increasing in the scale and depth of their requirements, and are also often extra-territorial in nature. In addition, a wide range of regulators and private actors are seeking to enforce these laws across regions and borders. Furthermore, Blackstone frequently has privacy compliance requirements as a result of Blackstone's contractual obligations with counterparties. These legal, regulatory and contractual obligations heighten Blackstone's data protection and privacy obligations in the ordinary course of conducting Blackstone's business in the U.S. and internationally.

Any inability, or perceived inability, by Blackstone, the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles or their respective Portfolio Entities to adequately address data protection or privacy concerns, or comply with applicable laws, regulations, policies, industry standards and guidance, contractual obligations, or other legal obligations, even if unfounded, could result in significant legal, regulatory and third party liability, increased costs, disruption of Blackstone's, the Clients', Other Blackstone Vehicles' or their respective Portfolio Entities' business and operations, and a loss of client (including investor) confidence and other reputational damage. In addition, any such inability or perceived inability of Portfolio Entities, even if unfounded, could result in reputational damage to Blackstone. Many regulators have indicated an intention to take more aggressive enforcement actions regarding data privacy matters, and private litigation resulting from such matters is increasing and resulting in progressively larger judgments and settlements. Furthermore, as new data protection and privacy-related laws and regulations are implemented, the time and resources needed for Blackstone, the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and Portfolio Entities to comply with such laws and regulations continues to increase and become a significant compliance workstream.

Item 9 – Disciplinary Information

The Adviser does not have any legal, financial or other “disciplinary” events to report. As a registered investment adviser, the Adviser is obligated to disclose any legal disciplinary event that would be material to a Client when evaluating the Adviser’s advisory business or integrity of its management.

On occasion, in the ordinary course of its business, Blackstone is named as a defendant in a legal action. Although there can be no assurance of the outcome of such legal actions, the Adviser does not believe that any current legal proceeding or claim to which Blackstone is a party would individually or in the aggregate materially affect the Adviser or the Clients’ results of operations, financial position or cash flows.

Certain regulatory, litigation and other similar matters are, from time to time, disclosed in (i) Blackstone’s public filings (including, without limitation, its current, periodic and annual reports on Forms 8-K, 10-Q and 10-K), which may be accessed through the website of the SEC (www.sec.gov) or Blackstone (<http://ir.blackstone.com/investors/annual-reports-and-sec-filings/default.aspx>), and (ii) materials made available through Blackstone’s online portal related to Investors.

Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations

Other Financial Industry Activities

Blackstone has conflicts of interest, or conflicting loyalties, as a result of the numerous activities and relationships of Blackstone, the Adviser, its Clients, the Other Blackstone Vehicles, the Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles and Affiliates, partners, members, shareholders, officers, directors and employees of the foregoing, some of which are described herein. Not all potential, apparent and actual conflicts of interest are included herein and additional conflicts of interest could arise as a result of new activities, transactions or relationships commenced in the future.

The Adviser will take such actions as may be required by the Organizational Documents of the applicable Clients to handle conflicts.

Performance-Based Compensation. The Adviser's and/or the CTIMCO Managers' performance-based compensation creates a greater incentive for the CTIMCO Managers to make more speculative Investments on behalf of a Client or time the purchase or sale of Investments in a manner motivated by the personal interest of Blackstone personnel than if such performance-based compensation did not exist. In addition, the current law provides for a lower capital gains tax rate on performance-based compensation from Investments held for at least three years, which can be expected to incentivize the CTIMCO Managers to cause a Client to accelerate deployment of capital at the beginning of a Client's investment period and to hold Investments longer to ensure long-term capital gains treatment or dispose of Investments prior to any change in law that would result in a higher effective income tax rate on performance-based compensation. Furthermore, upon a withdrawal by an Investor from a Client, in certain circumstances, including in the event of a transfer of interests, and upon the closure, dissolution, wind-up and/or liquidation of a Client, the CTIMCO Managers will, in certain circumstances, receive performance-based compensation with respect to a distribution in-kind of non-marketable securities. The amount of the performance-based compensation will be dependent on the valuation of the non-marketable securities distributed, which will be determined by the CTIMCO Managers and could incentivize the CTIMCO Managers to value the securities higher than if there were no performance-based compensation. The CTIMCO Managers can engage third parties to determine the value of securities distributed in-kind or non-marketable securities and rely upon the third-party opinion of value, but there can be no assurance such an opinion will reflect value accurately.

Management Fee. Due to the fact that the Management Fee is calculated based on invested capital (which pursuant to the Organizational Documents, includes borrowings and guarantees then outstanding that reduce unused capital commitments), there is an incentive for the Adviser to defer realization of Investments, make more speculative Investments, seek to deploy the capital commitments (and borrowings and guarantees secured by capital commitments) in Investments at an accelerated pace and/or hold Investments longer, in each case, than it otherwise would have if Management Fees were based solely on capital commitments. In addition, there will be circumstances where an Investment has little or no value and it has not been fully realized or disposed of, for example in the event that a Client is seeking to transfer its residual ownership of an Investment to a counterparty and in such cases, the Adviser will continue to collect Management Fees, including through the term of such Client. Accordingly, the Adviser may defer the realization of such Investments, in each case, for longer than it otherwise would have if Management Fees were based solely on capital commitments. See also “—*Valuation Matters*” herein.

Allocation of Personnel. The Adviser will devote such time and attention to a Client as it determines to be necessary to conduct its business affairs in an appropriate manner. However, Blackstone personnel will work on other projects, serve on other committees (including boards of directors, as applicable) and source potential Investments for and otherwise assist the investment programs of Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, including other investment programs to be developed in the future. Certain non-investment professionals are not dedicated solely to the Adviser but rather perform functions that benefit the Clients as well as Other Blackstone Vehicles, the Adviser and/or Blackstone, which is expected to detract from the time and attention such persons devote to the Adviser. Even some key personnel of the relevant Adviser who devote substantially all of their time and attention to the Clients’ investment programs do not devote their time and attention solely to the Clients. Time spent on these other initiatives diverts attention from the activities of Clients, which could negatively impact the Clients and their Investors. Furthermore, Blackstone and Blackstone personnel derive financial benefit from these other activities, including fees and performance-based compensation. Blackstone personnel outside the Blackstone Real Estate Group share in the fees and performance-based compensation from Clients; similarly, the Blackstone Real Estate Group personnel share in the fees and performance-based compensation generated by Other Blackstone Vehicles. These and other factors create conflicts of interest in the allocation of time and attention by Blackstone personnel. The Adviser’s determination of the amount of time and attention necessary to conduct a Client’s activities will be conclusive, and Investors rely on the Adviser’s judgment in this regard.

Outside Activities of Principals and Other Personnel and their Related Parties. Certain personnel of Blackstone will, in certain circumstances, be subject to a variety of conflicts of interest relating to their responsibilities to Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities, and their outside personal or business activities, including as members of investment or advisory committees or boards of directors of, or advisors to, investment funds, corporations, foundations or other organizations. Such positions create a conflict if such other entities have interests that are adverse to those of Clients, including if such other entities compete with Clients for investment opportunities or other resources. The Blackstone personnel in question may have a greater financial interest in the performance of the other entities than the performance of a Client. This involvement may create conflicts of interest in making Investments on behalf of a Client and such other funds, accounts and other entities. Also, Blackstone personnel are generally permitted to invest in alternative investment funds, private equity funds, real estate funds, hedge funds and other investment vehicles, as well as engage in other personal trading activities relating to companies, assets, securities or instruments (subject to Blackstone’s Code of Ethics requirements), some of which will involve conflicts of interest. Such personal securities transactions will, in certain circumstances, relate to securities or instruments which can be expected to also be held or acquired by a Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles, or otherwise relate to companies or issuers in which a Client has or acquires a different principal investment (including, for example, with respect to seniority). There can be no assurance that conflicts of interest arising out of such activities will be resolved in favor of the Clients. Investors will not receive any benefit from any such Investments, and the financial incentives of Blackstone personnel in such other Investments could be greater than their financial incentives in relation to a Client. Although the Adviser and/or the CTIMCO Managers will generally seek to minimize the impact of any such conflicts, there can be no assurance they will be resolved favorably for a Client. See also “—***Additional Potential Conflicts of Interest***” herein.

Additionally, certain personnel and other professionals of Blackstone have family members or relatives that are actively involved in industries and sectors in which Clients invest and/or have business, personal, financial or other relationships with companies in such industries and sectors (including the advisors and service providers described above) or other industries, which gives rise to potential or actual conflicts of interest. For example, such family members or relatives might be officers, directors, personnel of companies or assets which are actual or potential Investments of Clients or other counterparties of Clients and their Portfolio Entities and/or assets. Moreover, in certain instances, a Client or their Portfolio Entities can be expected to purchase or sell companies or assets from or to, or otherwise transact with, companies that are owned by such family members

or relatives or in respect of which such family members or relatives have other involvement. In most such circumstances, the Organizational Documents will not preclude a Client from undertaking any of these investment activities or transactions. To the extent Blackstone determines appropriate, conflict mitigation strategies may, but are not required to, be put in place with respect to a particular circumstance, such as internal information barriers or recusal, disclosure or other steps determined appropriate by the CTIMCO Managers. The Investors rely on the CTIMCO Managers to manage these conflicts in its sole discretion.

Secondments and Internships. Certain personnel of Blackstone and the Consultants, will, in certain circumstances, be seconded to one or more Portfolio Entities, vendors and service providers or Investors of the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles to provide finance, accounting, operational support, technology, data management (including artificial intelligence) and other similar services, including the sourcing of Investments for the Clients or other parties. The salaries, benefits, overhead and other similar expenses for such personnel during the secondment could be borne by Blackstone or the organization for which the personnel are working or both. In addition, personnel of Portfolio Entities, vendors, service providers (including law firms and accounting firms) and Investors of the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles will, in certain circumstances, be seconded to, serve internships at, receive trainings from or otherwise provide consulting services to, the Adviser, Blackstone, the Clients, Portfolio Entities and Other Blackstone Vehicles. While often the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities are the beneficiaries of these types of arrangements, the Adviser or Blackstone are from time to time beneficiaries of these arrangements as well, including in circumstances where the vendor, Portfolio Entity or service provider also provides services to the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, the Adviser, or Blackstone in the ordinary course. The Clients or their Portfolio Entities can be expected to pay compensation or cover fees or expenses associated with such secondees and interns, and if a Portfolio Entity of a Client pays the cost, it will be borne directly or indirectly by the Client. If Blackstone or the Adviser pays salaries or covers expenses associated with such secondees and interns, they could seek reimbursement from the Clients or their Portfolio Entities for such amounts. Additionally, the Adviser, Blackstone, other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles or their respective Portfolio Entities could receive benefits from arrangements, including arrangements at no or reduced cost, with secondees or interns employed by service providers or vendors (or affiliates thereof) that provide services to, or whose employees serve as secondees or interns to, a Client (or its Portfolio Entities) that bears the compensation, fees or expenses associated with such services, secondees or interns. Furthermore, such arrangements, including those at no or reduced cost, could include secondees or interns who perform services for the benefit of the Adviser,

Blackstone, other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles or their respective Portfolio Entities that do not benefit such Client or its Portfolio Entities. To the extent secondee or intern compensation, fees or expenses are borne by a Client, including indirectly through its Portfolio Entities or reimbursement of Blackstone for such costs, the Management Fee will not be offset or reduced as a result of these arrangements or any fees, expense reimbursements or other costs related thereto. The personnel described above can be expected to provide services in respect of multiple matters, including in respect of matters related to the Adviser, Blackstone, the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities, each of their respective affiliates and related parties, and any costs of such personnel could be allocated accordingly. The Adviser and Blackstone will endeavor in good faith to allocate the costs of these arrangements, if any, to the Adviser, Blackstone, the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities, and other parties based on time spent by the personnel or another methodology the Adviser or Blackstone deems appropriate in a particular circumstance.

In addition, there could be instances where current and former employees of Other Blackstone Vehicles' Portfolio Entities are seconded to or temporarily hired by the Clients' Portfolio Entities or, at times, the Clients' Investments directly. Such secondments or temporary hiring of current and former employees of Other Blackstone Vehicles' Portfolio Entities by the Clients' Portfolio Entities (or their Investments) will result in a potential conflict of interest between the Clients' Portfolio Entities and those of such Other Blackstone Vehicles. The costs of such employees are expected to be borne by the Clients or its relevant Portfolio Entities, as applicable, and the fees paid by the Clients or such Portfolio Entities to other Portfolio Entity service providers or vendors do not offset or reduce the Management Fee. See also “—*Portfolio Entity Service Providers and Vendors*” herein.

Other Benefits. The Adviser, its Affiliates and their personnel and related parties will receive intangible and other benefits, discounts and perquisites arising or resulting from their activities on behalf of a Client, the value of which will not offset or reduce Management Fees or otherwise be shared with a Client, its Portfolio Entities or the Investors. For example, airline travel or hotel stays will result in “miles” or “points” or credit in loyalty or status programs, and certain purchases made by credit card will result in “credit card points”, “cash back” or rebates in addition to such loyalty or status program miles or points. Such benefits will, whether or not *de minimis* or difficult to value, inure exclusively to the benefit of the Adviser, its Affiliates or their personnel or related parties receiving them, even though the cost of the underlying service is borne by a Client as partnership expenses or by its Portfolio Entities. (See also “—*Service Providers, Vendors and Other Counterparties Generally*” herein.) Similarly, the Adviser, its Affiliates and their personnel

and related parties, and third parties designated by the foregoing, also receive discounts on products and services provided by Portfolio Entities and customers or suppliers of such Portfolio Entities.

Advisors, Consultants and Partners. The Adviser, its Affiliates and their personnel and related parties engage and retain Consultants to provide a variety of services. Similarly, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities retain and pay compensation to Consultants to provide services, or to undertake a build-up strategy to originate, acquire and develop assets and businesses in a particular sector or involving a particular strategy. Any amounts paid by a Client or a Portfolio Entity to Consultants in connection with the above services, including, performance-based compensation (*e.g.*, promote), retainers, cash fees, profits, equity interests in a Portfolio Entity, discretionary bonus awards and expense reimbursements, will be treated as partnership expenses or expenses of the Portfolio Entity, as the case may be, and will not, even if they have the effect of reducing any retainers or minimum amounts otherwise payable by the Adviser, be chargeable to the Adviser or deemed paid to or received by the Adviser, or offset or reduce any Management Fees to the Adviser or be subordinated to return of the Investor's capital. Amounts charged by Consultants will not necessarily be confirmed as being comparable to market rates for such services. In certain cases, Consultants will receive intangible and other benefits resulting from their activities on behalf of Clients, including, potentially, access to privileged information regarding the Clients' Portfolio Entities and possible future deal origination to the extent applicable with Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles. For example, in the same way that executives from portfolio companies of Other Blackstone Vehicles may provide insight and/or deal origination for the benefit of Clients, the executives of a Client's Portfolio Entities may benefit Consultants and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles. Consultants may attend events and/or meetings sponsored by a Client's Portfolio Entities and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles or other members of a Client and may be involved in fundraising activities on behalf of Blackstone. Consultants may attend events and meetings sponsored by the Client's Portfolio Entities and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles or other Investors and may be involved in fundraising activities on behalf of Blackstone. Also, Consultants often co-invest alongside a Client in Portfolio Entities and Investments, participate in long-term incentive plans of a Portfolio Entity, and invest directly in a Client or in vehicles controlled by a Client, with reduced or waived Management Fees and performance-based compensation and such co-investment or participation (which generally will result in the Client being allocated a smaller share of an Investment and less co-investment opportunity being available to Investors) may or may not be considered part of Blackstone's side-by-side co-investment rights, as determined by the Adviser in its sole discretion. Consultants' benefits described in this paragraph will, in certain

circumstances, continue after termination of status as a Consultant. Moreover, in negotiating and structuring transactions with counterparties (such as investment banks, financial intermediaries and other service providers) of the Clients or Portfolio Entities, the Adviser will be free to consider relationship, reputational and market considerations, which can in some circumstances result in less favorable terms for the Clients or Portfolio Entities.

The time, dedication, nature of the relationship and scope of work of a Consultant varies considerably. In some cases, a Consultant advises the Adviser on transactions, provides the Adviser with industry-specific insights and feedback on investment themes, assists in transaction due diligence, and makes introductions to, and provides reference checks on, management teams. In other cases, Consultants take on more extensive roles, including serving as executives or directors on the boards of Portfolio Entities and contributing to the identification and origination of new investment opportunities. A Client may rely on these Consultants to recommend the Adviser and Client as a preferred investment partner and carry out its investment program, but there is no assurance that any Consultant will continue to be involved with a Client for any length of time. The Adviser and Client can be expected to have formal or informal arrangements with Consultants that may or may not have termination options and may include compensation, no compensation, or deferred compensation until occurrence of a future event, such as commencement of a formal engagement. Moreover, in negotiating and structuring transactions with Consultants or counterparties (such as investment banks, financial intermediaries and other service providers) of a Client or Portfolio Entities, the Adviser will generally not seek to maximize terms as if such transaction was taking place in isolation – it will be free to consider relationship, reputational and market considerations, which can in some circumstances result in a cost to a Client or otherwise make the terms of the transaction less favorable for the Client. In certain cases, Consultants have attributes of Blackstone “employees” (e.g., they can be expected to have dedicated offices (and, potentially, have dedicated office space) at Blackstone, receive administrative support from Blackstone personnel, participate in general meetings and events for Blackstone personnel or work on Blackstone matters as their primary or sole business activity, have Blackstone-related e-mail addresses or business cards and participate in certain benefit arrangements typically reserved for Blackstone employees), even though they are not Blackstone employees, Affiliates or personnel for purposes of the Organizational Documents and the Advisory Agreement, as applicable, and their salary and related expenses are paid by a Client as partnership expenses or by Portfolio Entities without any reduction or offset to Management Fees. Some Consultants work only for a Client and its Portfolio Entities, while other Consultants may have other clients, including Other Blackstone Vehicles as described below. In particular, in some cases,

Consultants, including those with a “Senior Advisor” title, have been and will be engaged with the responsibility to source, diligence and recommend transactions to the Adviser potentially on a full-time and/or exclusive basis and, notwithstanding any overlap with the responsibilities of the Adviser under the investment advisory agreement, the compensation to such Consultants could be borne fully by the Client and/or Portfolio Entities (with no reduction or offset to Management Fees) and not the Adviser. Consultants could have conflicts of interest between their work for a Client and its Portfolio Entities, on the one hand, and themselves or other clients, on the other hand, and the Adviser is limited in its ability to monitor and mitigate these conflicts. Additionally, Consultants could provide services on behalf of both the Client and Other Blackstone Vehicles, and any work performed by Consultants retained on behalf of the Client could benefit such Other Blackstone Vehicles (and alternatively, work performed by Consultants on behalf of Other Blackstone Vehicles could benefit the Client), and the Adviser shall have no obligation to allocate any portion of the costs to be borne by the Client in respect of such Consultant’s work on behalf of the Client to such Other Blackstone Vehicles.

In addition, a Client will, in certain circumstances, enter into an arrangement from time to time with one or more individuals (who may be former personnel of Blackstone or current or former personnel of Portfolio Entities of the Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles, may have experience or capability in sourcing or managing investments, and may form a management team) to undertake a build-up strategy to acquire and develop assets and businesses in a particular sector or involving a particular strategy. The services provided by such individuals or relevant Portfolio Entity, as the case may be, could include: origination or sourcing, due diligence, evaluation, negotiation, servicing, development, management (including turnaround) and disposition. The individuals or relevant Portfolio Entity could be compensated with a salary and equity incentive plan, including a portion of profits derived from the Client or a Portfolio Entity or asset of the Client (which may take the form of a management fee and/or profits allocation (whether paid directly to such individuals or to an affiliate entity controlled by such individuals)), or other long term incentive plans. Compensation could also be based on assets under management, or an economic mechanism similar to a waterfall for carried interest and/or other similar metrics, which will not be subject to Management Fee offset. The professionals at such platform company, which in certain circumstances can be expected to include former employees of or current or former senior advisors or consultants to Blackstone, the Adviser, its affiliates and/or Portfolio Entities of Other Blackstone Vehicles, can be expected to undertake analysis and evaluation of potential Investment and acquisition opportunities for such platform company. Although the Adviser is generally responsible under the Organizational Documents for certain overhead expenses and

investment analysis associated with sourcing and managing Investments, as well as compensation costs of the Adviser's investment professionals, the Clients would, in such circumstances, invest capital to fund some or all of the costs of such platform companies, including costs related to overhead (including rent, utilities, benefits, salary or retainers for the individuals and/or their affiliated entities) and the sourcing, diligence and analysis of Investments, as well as the compensation for the individuals and entity undertaking the build-up strategy. The activities performed by investment professionals at platform companies will in certain cases be similar to the investment management activities performed by the Adviser's investment professionals in respect of the Clients. In such cases, a Client will both indirectly bear the compensation expenses for the platform companies' investment professionals and directly bear the Management Fees in respect of capital invested by the Client in such platform companies. The Adviser could have an incentive to cause a Client to invest in platform companies in circumstances where such investments have the effect of reducing (or avoiding a need to increase) the number of investment professionals that the Adviser needs to employ in respect of the Clients. Such expenses could be borne directly by a Client as partnership expenses (or broken deal expenses, if applicable) or indirectly through expenditures by a Portfolio Entity. None of such Portfolio Entities or Consultants will be treated as Affiliates of the Adviser for purposes of the Organizational Documents and none of the fees, costs or expenses described above will reduce or offset the Management Fee.

In addition, the Adviser could engage third parties as senior advisors (or another similar capacity) in order to advise it with respect to existing investments, specific investment opportunities, and economic and industry trends. Such senior advisors could receive reimbursement of reasonable related expenses by Portfolio Entities or the Client and could have the opportunity to invest in a portion of the assets available to the Client for investment which could be taken by the Adviser and its affiliates. If such senior advisors generate investment opportunities on the Client's behalf, such senior advisors could receive special additional fees or allocations comparable to those received by a third party in an arm's length transaction and such additional fees or allocations would be borne fully by the Client and/or Portfolio Entities (with no reduction or offset to Management Fees) and not the Adviser.

Multiple Blackstone Business Lines. Blackstone has multiple business lines, including the Blackstone Capital Markets Group, which Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles and third parties will, in certain circumstances, engage for debt and equity financings and to provide other investment banking, brokerage, investment advisory or other services. As a result of these activities, Blackstone is

subject to a number of actual and potential conflicts of interest, greater regulatory oversight and more legal and contractual restrictions than if it had one line of business. For example, Blackstone may come into possession of information that limits the Client's ability to engage in potential transactions. Similarly, other Blackstone businesses and their personnel may be prohibited by law or contract from sharing information with the Adviser that would be relevant to monitoring the Client's Investments and other activities. Additionally, Blackstone or Other Blackstone Vehicles can be expected to enter into covenants that restrict or otherwise limit the ability of a Client or its Portfolio Entities and their affiliates to make investments in, or otherwise engage in, certain businesses or activities. For example, Other Blackstone Vehicles could have granted exclusivity to a Joint Venture Partner that limits a Client and Other Blackstone Vehicles from owning assets within a certain distance of any of the joint venture's assets, or Blackstone or an Other Blackstone Vehicle could have entered into a non-compete agreement in connection with a sale or other transaction. These types of restrictions may negatively impact the ability of Clients to implement their investment program. (See also "**—Other Blackstone Vehicles; Allocation of Investment Opportunities.**") Finally, Blackstone personnel who are members of the investment team or investment committee may be excluded from participating in certain investment decisions due to conflicts involving other Blackstone businesses or for other reasons, including other business activities, in which case a Client will not benefit from their experience. The Investors will not receive a benefit from any fees earned by Blackstone or its personnel from these other businesses.

Blackstone is under no obligation to decline any engagements or Investments in order to make an investment opportunity available to a Client. Blackstone and its employees have long-term relationships with a significant number of corporations and their senior management. In determining whether to invest in a particular transaction on a Client's behalf, the Adviser will consider such relationships when evaluating an investment opportunity (including any incentives or disincentives as part of such relationships), and such relationships can be expected to influence the Adviser's decision to make or not make particular investments on a Client's behalf (e.g., Investments in a competitor of a client or other Person with whom Blackstone has a relationship). A Client may be required to sell or hold existing Investments as a result of investment banking relationships or other relationships that Blackstone may have or transactions or Investments that Blackstone may make or has made. Therefore, there can be no assurance that all potentially suitable investment opportunities that come to the attention of Blackstone will be made available to a Client. (See also "**—Other Blackstone Vehicles; Allocation of Investment Opportunities**" and "**—Portfolio Entity Relationships Generally**" herein.) The Client may also co-invest with clients of Blackstone or other persons with whom Blackstone has a relationship in particular

investment opportunities, and other aspects of these Blackstone relationships could influence the decisions made by the Adviser with respect to a Client's Investments and otherwise result in a conflict. See also "*—Other Blackstone Vehicles; Allocation of Investment Opportunities*" herein.

Also, Blackstone will represent creditors or debtors in proceedings under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code or prior to such proceedings and will serve as advisor to creditor and equity committees. This involvement, for which Blackstone will from time to time be compensated, could limit or preclude the flexibility that a Client would otherwise have to buy or sell certain real estate related assets, and may require that a Client dispose of an Investment at an inopportune time.

Finally, Blackstone and Other Blackstone Vehicles could acquire investor interests in a Client in the secondary market. Blackstone and Other Blackstone Vehicles would generally have greater information than counterparties in such transactions, and the existence of such business could produce conflicts, including in the valuation of a Client's Investments.

Minority Investments in Asset Management Firms. Blackstone and Other Blackstone Vehicles, including BSCH and its related parties, regularly make minority Investments in alternative asset management firms that are not affiliated with Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities, and which may from time to time engage in similar investment transactions, including with respect to purchase and sale of Investments, with these asset management firms and their sponsored funds and Portfolio Entities. Typically, the Blackstone related party with an interest in the asset management firm would be entitled to receive a share of performance-based compensation and net fee income or revenue share generated by the various products, vehicles, funds and accounts managed by that third-party asset management firm that are included in the transaction or activities of the third-party asset management firm, or a subset of such activities such as transactions with a Blackstone related party. In addition, while such minority investments are generally structured so that Blackstone does not "control" such third-party asset management firms, Blackstone may nonetheless be afforded certain governance rights in relation to such investments (typically in the nature of "protective" rights, negative control rights or anti-dilution arrangements, as well as certain reporting and consultation rights) that afford Blackstone the ability to influence the firm. Although Blackstone and Other Blackstone Vehicles, including BSCH, do not intend to control such third-party asset management firms, there can be no assurance that all third parties will similarly conclude that such investments are non-control investments or that, due to the provisions of the governing documents of such third-party asset management firms or the interpretation of applicable law or regulations, investments by Blackstone and Other Blackstone Vehicles, including BSCH, will not be deemed to have control

elements for certain contractual, regulatory or other purposes. While such third-party asset managers will not be deemed “Affiliates” of Blackstone under the Organizational Documents or for any other purpose, Blackstone may, under certain circumstances, be in a position to influence the management and operations of such asset managers and the existence of its economic/revenue sharing interest therein will, in certain circumstances, give rise to conflicts of interest. Participation rights in a third-party asset management firm (or other similar business), negotiated governance arrangements and/or the interpretation of applicable law or regulations could expose the investments of a Client to claims by third parties in connection with such investments (as indirect owners of such asset management firms or similar businesses) that may have an adverse financial or reputational impact on the performance of a Client. Clients, their affiliates and their respective Portfolio Entities may from time to time engage in transactions with, and buy and sell investments from, any such third-party asset managers and their sponsored funds. There can be no assurance that the terms of these transactions between parties related to Blackstone, on the one hand, and a Client and its Portfolio Entities, on the other hand, will be at arm’s length or that Blackstone will not receive a benefit from such transactions, which can be expected to incentivize Blackstone to cause these transactions to occur. Such conflicts related to investments in and arrangements with other asset management firms will not necessarily be resolved in favor of the Client. Investors will not be entitled to receive notice or disclosure of the terms or occurrence of either the investments in alternative asset management firms or transactions therewith and will not receive any benefit from such transactions.

Blackstone Policies and Procedures; Information Walls. Blackstone has implemented policies and procedures to address conflicts that arise as a result of its various activities, as well as regulatory and other legal considerations. Because Blackstone has many different asset management and advisory businesses, including private equity, growth equity, a credit business, a hedge fund business, a capital markets group, a life sciences business and a real estate advisory business, it is subject to a number of actual and potential conflicts of interest, greater regulatory oversight and more legal and contractual restrictions than that to which it would otherwise be subject if it had just one line of business. In addressing these conflicts and regulatory, legal and contractual requirements across its various businesses and to protect against the inappropriate sharing and/or use of information between the Real Estate group and the other business units at Blackstone, Blackstone has implemented certain policies and procedures (e.g., Blackstone’s information wall policy) regarding the sharing of information which have the potential to reduce the positive synergies and collaborations that Clients could otherwise expect to utilize for purposes of identifying, pursuing and managing attractive investments. For example, Blackstone will from

time to time come into possession of material non-public information with respect to companies in which Other Blackstone Vehicles may be considering making an investment or companies that are clients of Blackstone. As a consequence, that information, which could be of benefit to a Client, might become restricted to those other respective businesses and otherwise be unavailable to the Client. There can be no assurance, however, that any such policies and/or procedures will be effective in accomplishing their stated purpose and/or that they will not otherwise adversely affect the ability of a Client to effectively achieve its investment objective by unduly limiting the investment flexibility of the Client and/or the flow of otherwise appropriate information between the Adviser and other business units at Blackstone. For example, in some instances, personnel of Blackstone would be unable to assist with the activities of a Client as a result of these walls. There can be no assurance that additional restrictions will not be imposed that would further limit the ability of Blackstone to share information internally. In addition, due to these restrictions, a Client may not be able to initiate a transaction that it otherwise might have initiated and may not be able to purchase or sell an Investment that such Client otherwise might have purchased or sold, which could negatively affect such Client's operations.

In addition, to the extent that Blackstone is in possession of material non-public information or is otherwise restricted from trading in certain securities, Clients and the Adviser may also be deemed to be in possession of such information or otherwise restricted. Additionally, the terms of confidentiality or other agreements with or related to companies in which any Blackstone fund has or has considered making an investment or which is otherwise a client of Blackstone will from time to time restrict or otherwise limit the ability of a Client and/or its Portfolio Entities and their affiliates to make investments in or otherwise engage in businesses or activities competitive with such companies. Blackstone reserves the right to enter into one or more strategic relationships in certain regions or with respect to certain types of investments that, although intended to provide greater opportunities for the Clients, may require a Client to share such opportunities or otherwise limit the amount of an opportunity a Client can otherwise take.

Data. Blackstone receives, generates or obtains various kinds of data and information from the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, their respective Portfolio Entities, and, at their election, certain Investors in the Clients and Investors in Other Blackstone Vehicles, and service providers, including but not limited to data and information relating to or created in connection with business operations, financial results, trends, budgets, plans, suppliers, customers, employees, contractors, ESG, energy usage, carbon emissions and related metrics, financial information, commercial and transactional information, customer and user data, employee and contractor data, supplier and cost data, and other related data and information, some of which is sometimes referred to as alternative

data or “big data.” Blackstone can be expected to be better able to anticipate macroeconomic and other trends, and otherwise develop investment themes or identify specific investment, trading or business opportunities, as a result of its access to (and rights regarding, including use, ownership, distribution, and derived works rights over) this data and information from the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, their Portfolio Entities and certain Investors in the Clients and Investors in Other Blackstone Vehicles. Blackstone has entered and will continue to enter into information sharing and use, measurement, and other arrangements with the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, their Portfolio Entities, and, at their election, certain Investors in the Clients and Investors in Other Blackstone Vehicles, as well as with related parties and service providers, which will give Blackstone access to (and rights regarding, including use, ownership, distribution, and derived works rights over) data that it would not otherwise obtain in the ordinary course. Further, this alternative data is expected to be aggregated across the Fund, Other Blackstone Clients and their respective Portfolio Entities. Although Blackstone believes that these activities improve Blackstone’s investment management and other business activities on behalf of the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles, information obtained from the Clients, their Portfolio Entities and, at their election, certain Investors in the Clients and in Other Blackstone Vehicles also provides material benefits to Blackstone, other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles typically without compensation or other benefit accruing to the Clients, their Investors or Portfolio Entities. For example, information obtained from a Portfolio Entity owned by a Client can be expected to enable Blackstone to better understand a particular industry, enhance Blackstone’s ability to provide advice or direction to another Portfolio Entity’s management team on strategy or operations, and execute trading and investment strategies in reliance on that understanding for Blackstone, other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles that do not own an interest in such Portfolio Entity, typically without compensation or benefit to such Portfolio Entity or the Client that owns it. Blackstone is expected to serve as the repository for data described in this paragraph, including with ownership, use and distribution rights therein.

Furthermore, except for contractual obligations to third parties to maintain confidentiality of certain information or otherwise limit the scope and purpose of its use or distribution, and regulatory limitations on the use of material non-public information, Blackstone is generally free to use and distribute data and information from a Client’s and its Portfolio Entities’ activities to assist in the pursuit of Blackstone’s various other activities, including to but not limited to trading activities or other uses for the benefit of Blackstone, another Client or an Other Blackstone Vehicle. Any confidentiality obligations in the Organizational Documents of a Client do not limit Blackstone’s ability to do so. For example, Blackstone’s ability to trade in securities of an issuer

relating to a specific industry could, subject to applicable law, be enhanced by information of a Portfolio Entity in the same or related industry. Such trading or other business activities are expected to provide a material benefit to Blackstone without compensation or other benefit to the Clients or their Investors.

The sharing and use of “big data” and other information presents potential conflicts of interest and any benefits received by Blackstone or its personnel (including fees (in cash or in kind), costs and expenses) will not be subject to management fee offset or otherwise shared with the Clients or their Investors. As a result, the Adviser has an incentive to pursue Investments that have data and information that can be utilized in a manner that benefits Blackstone or Other Blackstone Vehicles.

Blackstone Strategic Relationships. Blackstone has entered, and it can be expected that Blackstone in the future will enter, into Strategic Relationships. A Strategic Relationship often involves an Investor agreeing to make a capital commitment or extend a commitment or lock-up period, as applicable, to two or more Blackstone funds, one of which may be a Client. Investors will not receive a copy of any agreement memorializing a Strategic Relationship program (even if in the form of a side letter) and will be unable to elect in the “most-favored nations” election process any such rights or benefits afforded through a Strategic Relationship (for the avoidance of doubt, no further disclosure or reporting information will be shared with the Investors about any Strategic Relationship). Specific examples of such additional rights and benefits have included and can be expected to include, among others, specialized reporting, discounts on, reductions to and/or reimbursement or rebates of management fees or performance-based compensation beyond those available to the Investors, secondment of personnel from the investor to Blackstone (or *vice versa*), targeted amounts for co-investments alongside Other Blackstone Vehicles (including, without limitation, preferential or favorable allocation of co-investment opportunities, and preferential terms and conditions related to co-investment or other participation in Other Blackstone Vehicles (including any performance-based compensation and/or management fees to be charged with respect thereto, as well as any additional discounts, reductions, reimbursements or rebates thereof or other penalties that may result if certain target co-investment allocations or other conditions under such arrangements are not achieved)). For the avoidance of doubt, such examples are not exhaustive, and the specific terms of any such additional rights and benefits that are ultimately granted to one or more Investors may vary from the rights and benefits offered to Investors generally under the Organizational Documents. The co-investment that is part of a Strategic Relationship may include co-investment in investments made by all Clients. To the extent any allocations are made pursuant to the Organizational Documents based on unused Capital Commitments, any such discount or reduction of management fees may cause the unused Capital

Commitments of the applicable investor to fluctuate disproportionately as compared to the unused Capital Commitments of any other limited partner without such management fee discount or reduction. (See also “—*Diverse Investor Group*” below.) Blackstone, including its personnel (including real estate personnel), will receive compensation from Strategic Relationships and be incentivized to allocate investment opportunities away from a Client or source investment opportunities for Strategic Relationships. Strategic Relationships will, in certain circumstances, result in fewer co-investment opportunities (or reduced allocations) being made available to Investors. See also “—*Additional Potential Conflicts of Interest*” herein.

Buying, Selling and Acquiring Investments or Assets from Certain Related Parties. A Client and its Portfolio Entities can be expected to purchase investments or assets from or sell investments or assets of such Client (including its Portfolio Entities) to Investors, other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities of other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles or their respective related parties, including parties which such Investors, other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles or Portfolio Entities own or have invested in. Such purchases and sales could occur on a programmatic basis; for example, where one Portfolio Entity is focused on property development and construction within a given sector and another Portfolio Entity is focused on acquiring and holding multiple properties within the same sector as a part of a platform investment. In certain circumstances, it can be expected that the proceeds received by a counterparty from a Client or its Portfolio Entities in respect of an investment or asset will be distributed, in whole or in part, to a related party of the Client (*i.e.*, an Investor, Other Blackstone Vehicle) when such related party indirectly holds interests in such underlying investment or asset through the counterparty (including, for example, in such related party’s capacity as an investor in such counterparty). Blackstone will generally rely upon internal analysis consistent with its valuation policies and procedures to determine the ultimate value of the applicable investment or asset, though it could also obtain third-party valuation reports in respect thereof. In other circumstances where a Client or a related party of the Client (*i.e.*, an Investor, a Portfolio Entity of another Client or an Other Blackstone Vehicle, another Client or an Other Blackstone Vehicle) holds publicly traded securities in a Portfolio Entity and the Client or such related party has entered into a privately negotiated transaction with such Portfolio Entity, the Client or such related party can be expected to receive (directly or indirectly) proceeds from such related party or the Client, as applicable, upon the consummation of such privately negotiated transaction. In each such circumstance, Investors, other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities of other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles or their respective related parties could also have limited governance rights in respect of such counterparty or such investment or asset. Purchases and sales, directly or

indirectly, of investments or assets of the Clients between the Clients or their Portfolio Entities, on the one hand, and Investors and/or Portfolio Entities of other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles or their respective related parties, on the other hand, or any Investor, except as expressly required under the Organizational Documents or unless otherwise required under the Advisers Act or other applicable laws or regulations. A Client could originate or initially acquire an Investment (or portfolio of related Investments) in circumstances where it expects that certain portions or tranches thereof (which could be of different levels of seniority or credit quality) will be syndicated to one or more other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles or where such other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles provide equity or debt financing to the Clients or third-party purchasers in connection with the disposition of such assets (in which case Blackstone will have conflicting duties in determining the tranching thereof) (See also “—**Syndication; Warehousing**” herein.) Blackstone will have conflicting duties to a Client and Other Blackstone Vehicles when a Client (or its Portfolio Entity) buys or sells assets from or to other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles or Portfolio Entities thereof (and, potentially, when the Client buys, sells, or redeems interests in other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles) or when such other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles provide equity or debt financing to a Client or third-party purchasers in connection with the disposition of such assets, including as a result of different financial incentives Blackstone could have with respect to the Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicles. These conflicts will not necessarily be resolved in favor of a Client, and the Investors will not necessarily receive notice or disclosure of the occurrence of these conflicts. In addition, certain financings between a Client and Blackstone affiliates could involve structuring that in form is a transaction between the Clients and an affiliate, but will not be treated as the sale of an Investment to the Clients from a Blackstone affiliate (or vice versa) for purposes of the Organizational Documents, as determined by the General Partner in good faith.

There can be no assurance that any investment or asset sold by a Client or its Portfolio Entities to an Investor, other Clients, or Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities to an Other Blackstone Vehicle or Portfolio Entities thereof, or any of their respective related parties (or where any such related parties are providing financing to the Clients or a third-party purchaser or where any interests in other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles are being sold or redeemed by the Clients) will not be valued at or allocated a sale price that is lower than might otherwise have been the case if such asset were sold to a third party rather than to an Investor, other Clients, or Other Blackstone Vehicle or, Portfolio Entities thereof (or were sold in a transaction where the Client or the third-party purchaser is not receiving financing from a related party, or in the case of interests in an Other Blackstone Vehicle sold or redeemed by the Clients, if the issuer of the interests were a

third-party rather than another Client or an Other Blackstone Vehicles or any of their respective related parties). For example, a Portfolio Entity may sell its data to limited partners, Portfolio Entities of other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles or their respective related parties. (See also “—*Data*” and “—*Data Services*” herein.) In the event Blackstone does solicit third-party bids in a sale process of any such assets, the participation of another Client or an Other Blackstone Vehicle (or a related party thereof) through the financing of a third party purchase could potentially have a negative impact on the overall process. For example, a bidder that is not working with, or has otherwise chosen not to work with, another Client or an Other Blackstone Vehicle for such financing could perceive the process as favoring parties that are doing so. While Blackstone will seek to develop sale procedures that mitigate conflicts for a Client, there can be no assurance that any bidding process will not be negatively impacted by the involvement of any other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles in the relevant transaction. All the foregoing transactions involve conflicts of interest, as Blackstone will, in certain circumstances, receive fees and other benefits, directly or indirectly, from or otherwise have interests in both parties to the transaction, including different financial incentives Blackstone will have with respect to the parties to the transaction. These conflicts will not necessarily be resolved in favor of a Client, and Client limited partners will not necessarily receive notice or disclosure of the occurrence of these conflicts.

Similarly, there can be no assurance that any investment or asset sold by a Client to an Investor, Portfolio Entity of Other Blackstone Vehicles or any of their respective related parties will not be valued or allocated a sale price that is lower than might otherwise have been the case if such asset were sold to a third-party rather than to an Investor, Portfolio Entity of Other Blackstone Vehicles or any of their respective related parties. Blackstone will not be required to solicit third-party bids or obtain a third-party valuation prior to causing the Clients or any of their Portfolio Entities to purchase or sell any asset or Investment from or to an Investor, Portfolio Entity of Other Blackstone Vehicles or any of their respective related parties as provided above. These transactions involve conflicts of interest, as Blackstone will, in certain circumstances, receive fees and other benefits, directly or indirectly, from or otherwise have interests in both parties to the transaction, including different financial incentives Blackstone may have with respect to the parties to the transaction.

Selling Assets to Other Blackstone Vehicles. Blackstone will have conflicting duties to a Client and Other Blackstone Vehicles when a Client sells assets to Other Blackstone Vehicles. In addition, certain financings between a Client and Blackstone affiliates may involve structuring that in form is a transaction between the Client and an Affiliate, but will not be treated as the sale of an Investment from or to the Client from or to a Blackstone affiliate for purposes of the Organizational

Documents of such Client, as determined by the General Partner in good faith. There can be no assurance that any assets sold by a Client or its Portfolio Entities to an Other Blackstone Vehicle or Portfolio Entities thereof (or where such Other Blackstone Vehicle is providing financing to a Client or a third party purchaser) will not be valued or allocated a sale price that is lower than might otherwise have been the case if such asset were sold to a third party rather than to an Other Blackstone Vehicle or Portfolio Entities thereof, including a third party purchaser that is not receiving such financing from an Other Blackstone Vehicle. Blackstone will not be required to solicit third-party bids prior to causing a Client to sell an asset to an Other Blackstone Vehicle as provided above.

Allocation of Portfolios. Blackstone will, in certain circumstances, have an opportunity to acquire a property, portfolio or pool of assets, securities and instruments that it determines should be divided and allocated among Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles. Such allocations generally would be based on Blackstone's assessment of the expected returns and risk profile of each of the assets. For example, some of the assets in a pool may have an opportunistic return profile, while others may have a lower return profile, which in either case, may not be appropriate for Clients. Also, a pool may contain both debt and equity instruments that Blackstone determines should be allocated to different funds. In certain circumstances, the Adviser may determine that for legal, tax, regulatory, accounting, administrative or other reasons such portfolio or pool should be held through a single holding entity even though such portfolio or pool is divided and allocated among the Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicles. In such circumstances, it is expected that the economic rights, liabilities and obligations in respect of the portion of such portfolio or pool that is allocated to the Client would be specifically attributed to the Client through tracking interests in such holding entity or back-to-back or other similar contribution or reimbursement agreements or other similar arrangements entered into with such Other Blackstone Vehicles, and that the Client would be deemed for purposes of the Organizational Documents to hold its portion of the portfolio or pool separately from, and not jointly with, such Other Blackstone Vehicles (and vice versa in respect of the portion of such portfolio or pool allocated to such Other Blackstone Vehicles). Similarly, there will likely be circumstances in which the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles will sell assets in a single or related transactions to a buyer. In that regard, the contractual purchase price paid to a seller or received from a buyer would be allocated among the multiple assets, securities and instruments in the pool, and therefore among the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles acquiring or selling any of the assets, securities and instruments, in accordance with the allocation of value in respect of the transaction (*e.g.*, accounting, tax or different manner), although Blackstone could, in certain circumstances, allocate value to the Clients and such Other Blackstone

Vehicles on a different basis. For example a counterparty could utilize an allocation of value in the purchase or sale contract, though Blackstone could determine such allocation of value is not appropriate and should not be relied upon. Blackstone will generally rely upon internal analysis to determine the ultimate allocation of value, though it could also obtain third-party valuation reports. Regardless of the methodology for allocating value, Blackstone will have conflicting duties to Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles when they buy or sell assets together in a portfolio, including as a result of different financial incentives Blackstone has with respect to different vehicles, most clearly when the fees and compensation, including performance-based compensation, earned from the different vehicles differ. There can be no assurance that an Investment of a Client will not be valued or allocated a purchase price that is higher or lower than it might otherwise have been allocated if such Investment were acquired or sold independently rather than as a component of a portfolio shared with other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles. In certain cases, a Client could purchase the entire portfolio or pool from a third party seller and promptly thereafter sell the portion of the portfolio or pool allocated to an Other Blackstone Vehicle to that Other Blackstone Vehicle pursuant to an agreement entered into between the Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicle prior to closing of the transaction (or *vice versa*), and any such sell down of assets will not be subject to the approval of any Investor, or otherwise.

Relationships with Portfolio Entities. Portfolio Entities are or will be counterparties or participants in agreements, transactions or other arrangements with Portfolio Entities of Other Blackstone Vehicles or Blackstone for the arranging, underwriting, syndication or refinancing of an Investment or other services provided by such Portfolio Entities or Blackstone (including without limitation, loan modification or restructuring services, loan servicing, administrative services, loan/asset management fees, fees for monitoring and oversight of loans, advisory services, property/asset management services, and title insurance services), that, although Blackstone determines to be consistent with the requirements of such Clients' Organizational Documents, would not have otherwise been entered into but for the affiliation with Blackstone, and which involve fees and/or servicing payments to Blackstone-affiliated entities which are not subject to Management Fee offset provisions. In connection with such relationships, Blackstone will, in certain circumstances, also make referrals and/or introductions to certain borrowers and/or issuers (which can be expected to result in financial incentives (including additional equity ownership) and/or milestones benefitting Blackstone that are tied or related to participation by such borrowers and/or issuers). Clients and their Investors will not share in any fees or economics accruing to Blackstone as a result of these relationships and/or participation by such borrowers and/or issuers.

In addition, it is possible that certain Portfolio Entities of the Other Blackstone Vehicles or companies in which the Other Blackstone Vehicles have an interest will compete with the Clients for one or more investment opportunities.

Other Blackstone Vehicles; Allocation of Investment Opportunities. Blackstone invests its own capital and third-party capital on behalf of Other Blackstone Vehicles and Clients in a wide variety of investment opportunities throughout the world. Not every opportunity suitable for a Client will be allocated to it in whole or in part. Certain exceptions exist that allow specified types of investment opportunities that fall within a Client’s investment objectives or strategy to be allocated in whole or in part to Blackstone itself or Other Blackstone Vehicles, such as strategic Investments made by Blackstone itself (whether in financial institutions or otherwise) and the exception for other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles that have investment objectives or guidelines similar to, or overlapping, in whole or in part with, those of a Client, to some extent, or pursue similar returns as a certain Client but have a different investment strategy or objective. Therefore, there may be numerous circumstances where investments that are consistent with a certain Client’s investment objectives may be required or permitted to be offered to, shared with or made by one or more Other Blackstone Vehicles (and so, offered to, shared with or made thereby). Further, with respect to any investment opportunities falling within a Client’s investment objectives or strategy involving interests in portfolio companies of other funds (including Other Blackstone Vehicles) that are the subject of a fund restructuring or similar transaction, investors in such funds can be expected to have priority rights to roll over their existing interests or otherwise reinvest in such portfolio companies (*e.g.*, through a newly formed “continuation fund”) in connection therewith, such that a Client is not allocated all or any part of any such investment opportunity. It is expected that some activities of Blackstone, other Clients, the Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities will compete with a Client and its Portfolio Entities for one or more investment opportunities that are consistent with a Client’s investment objectives, and as a result such investment opportunities may only be available on a limited basis, or not at all, to a Client. The Adviser has conflicting loyalties in determining whether an investment opportunity should be allocated to one or more Clients, Blackstone or an Other Blackstone Vehicle. Blackstone has adopted guidelines and policies, which it can be expected to update from time to time, regarding allocation of investment opportunities.

- **Overlapping Objectives and Strategies:** In circumstances in which any Other Blackstone Vehicles have investment objectives or guidelines that overlap with those of a Client, in whole or in part, Blackstone (and the particular investment professionals overseeing allocations with respect to the Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicles) generally

determines the relative allocation of investment opportunities among such vehicles on a fair and reasonable basis in good faith according to guidelines and factors determined by it. However, the application of those guidelines and factors has, in limited circumstances, resulted and can be expected to result in a Client not participating, or not participating to the same or greater extent, in investment opportunities in which it would have otherwise participated had the related allocations been determined without regard to such guidelines. The Adviser could also determine not to pursue opportunities, as discussed below in “Certain Investments inside a Client’s Mandate that are not Pursued by a Client”, or, alternatively, could later determine an opportunity is appropriate for the Client after initially reviewing such opportunity for or on behalf of an Other Blackstone Vehicle. Certain Clients could invest in the securities of publicly traded companies in which Other Blackstone Vehicles hold existing investments. Among the factors that the Adviser (and the particular investment professionals overseeing allocations with respect to the Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicles) considers in making investment allocations among Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles are the following: (i) any applicable investment objectives, focus, parameters, guidelines, investor preferences, limitations and other contractual provisions and terms relating to a Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicles, (ii) available capital of a Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicles, as determined by the Adviser in good faith (which may take into account relative portfolio composition, anticipated co-investment and other considerations in addition to buying power), and duration of the investment period, (iii) legal, tax, accounting, regulatory and other considerations (iv) primary and permitted investment strategies, focuses, guidelines, liquidity positions and requirements, and objectives of a Client and the Other Blackstone Vehicles, including, without limitation, with respect to Other Blackstone Vehicles that expect to invest in or alongside other funds or across asset classes based on expected return, (v) sourcing of the Investment (including by a particular Blackstone business unit), (vi) the sector and geography/location of the Investment (including adjacency to existing assets of the Client and the Other Blackstone Vehicles), (vii) the specific nature (including size, type, amount, liquidity, holding period, remaining investment periods, loan pledgeability anticipated maturity and minimum investment criteria) of the Investment, (viii) expected investment return, (ix) risk profile of the Investment, (x) ability to leverage and underwritten leverage of a loan, (xi) structure of leverage, (xii) cash characteristics (such as cash-on-cash yield, distribution rates or volatility of cash flows), (xiii) capital expenditure required as part of the Investment, (xiv) loan to value ratio or debt service coverage ratio of the Investment and concentration concerns (including, but not limited to,

(A) allocations necessary for the Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles to maintain a particular concentration in a certain type of investment (*e.g.*, if an Other Blackstone Vehicle follows a liquid strategy pursuant to which it sells a type of investment more or less frequently than the Clients and the Clients or such Other Blackstone Vehicle needs a non *pro rata* additional allocation to maintain a particular concentration in that type of investment) and (B) whether a particular Fund already has its desired exposure to the Investment, sector, industry, geographic region or markets in question), (xv) relation to existing investments in a fund, if applicable (*e.g.*, “follow on” to existing investment, joint venture or other partner to existing investment, or same security as existing investment), (xvi) avoiding allocation that could result in de minimis or odd lot investments, (xvii) redemption or withdrawal requests from a Client, fund and/or vehicle and anticipated future contributions into an account, (xviii) the ability of a client, fund or vehicle to employ leverage, hedging, derivatives, or other similar strategies in connection with acquiring, holding or disposing of the particular investment opportunity, and any requirements or other terms of any existing leverage facilities, (xix) the credit and default profile of an investment or borrower (*e.g.*, FICO score of a borrower for residential mortgage loans), (xx) the extent of involvement of the respective teams of the investment professionals dedicated to the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles and sourcing of the investment, (xxi) the likelihood/immediacy of foreclosure or conversion to an equity or control opportunity, (xxii) with respect to investments that are made available to Blackstone by counterparties pursuant to negotiated trading platforms (*e.g.*, ISDA contracts), the absence of such relationships which may not be available for all clients, (xxiii) contractual obligations, (xxiv) co-investment arrangements, (xxv) potential path to ownership, (xxvi) the relative stage of the Clients’ and such Other Blackstone Vehicle’s investment periods (*e.g.*, early in a vehicle’s investment period, the Adviser may over-allocate investments to such vehicle), and (xxvii) other considerations deemed relevant by the Adviser in good faith.

- Investments Outside of a Client’s Mandate: Investment opportunities (including, for the avoidance of doubt, follow-on opportunities) that the Adviser makes a good faith determination are not expected to yield a Client’s targeted return profile or are otherwise inappropriate for a Client given considerations described in Organizational Documents or as otherwise determined by the Adviser, will generally not be allocated to a Client.
- Certain Investments Inside a Client’s Mandate that are not Pursued by a Client: Under certain circumstances, Blackstone can be expected to determine not to pursue some or all

of an investment opportunity (including, for the avoidance of doubt, a follow-on opportunity) within a Client's mandate, including without limitation, as a result of business, reputational or other reasons applicable to Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, their respective Portfolio Entities or Blackstone. In addition, the Adviser will, in certain circumstances, determine that a Client should not pursue some or all of an investment opportunity, including, by way of example and without limitation, because (i) a Client has insufficient available capital (as determined by the Adviser in its good faith discretion taking into account not only capital that is actually available but considerations such as portfolio composition, anticipated co-investment and other factors) to pursue the investment opportunity, (ii) a Client has already invested sufficient capital in the investment, sector, industry, geographic region or markets in question, as determined by the Adviser in its good faith discretion, or (iii) the investment opportunity is not appropriate for a Client for other reasons as determined by the Adviser in its good faith reasonable sole discretion (which may include, for example, as a result of an Other Blackstone Vehicle having an existing interest in a portfolio entity, or where an Other Blackstone Vehicle is currently considering or pursuing acquiring such an interest). In any such case Blackstone can be expected to, thereafter, offer such opportunity, in whole or in part, to other parties, including Other Blackstone Vehicles or Portfolio Entities or Investors of a Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles, Joint Venture Partners, related parties or third parties. Such Other Blackstone Vehicles will from time to time (i) make or receive priority allocations of certain investments that are appropriate for a Client and (ii) participate in investments alongside a Client, *provided*, that any such allocation may be subsequently adjusted at Blackstone's discretion. Any such Other Blackstone Vehicles may be advised by a different Blackstone business group with a different investment committee, which could determine an investment opportunity to be more attractive than the Adviser believes to be the case. In any event, there can be no assurance that the Adviser's assessment will prove correct or that the performance of any Investments actually pursued by a Client will be comparable to any investment opportunities that are not pursued by a Client. Blackstone, including its personnel, will, in certain circumstances, receive compensation from any such party that makes the Investment, including an allocation of performance-based compensation, referral fees or revenue share, and any such compensation could be greater than amounts paid by a Client to the Adviser. In some cases, Blackstone earns greater fees when Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles participate alongside or instead of a particular Client in an Investment.

- Financial Compensation to Allocate Investment Opportunities to Other Blackstone Vehicles: When the Adviser determines not to pursue some or all of an investment opportunity for a Client that would otherwise be within such Client's objectives and strategies, and Blackstone provides the opportunity or offers the opportunity to Other Blackstone Vehicles, Blackstone, including its personnel (including the Adviser's personnel), can be expected to receive compensation from the Other Blackstone Vehicles, whether or not in respect of a particular investment, including an allocation of performance-based compensation, referral fees or revenue share, and any such compensation could be greater than amounts paid by such Client to the Adviser. As a result, there is an incentive for the Adviser (including its personnel who receive such compensation) to allocate investment opportunities away from a Client to or source investment opportunities for Other Blackstone Vehicles, which could result in fewer opportunities (or reduced allocations) being made available to the Clients or to the investors in the Clients as co-investment. In addition, in some cases Blackstone can be expected to earn greater fees when Other Blackstone Vehicles participate alongside or instead of a particular Client in an investment.
- Basis for Investment Allocation Determinations: The Adviser makes good faith determinations for allocation decisions based on expectations that will, in certain circumstances, prove inaccurate. Information unavailable to the Adviser, or circumstances not foreseen by the Adviser at the time of allocation, may cause an investment opportunity to yield a different return than expected. For example, an investment opportunity that the Adviser determines to be consistent with the return objectives of a particular type of fund rather than a particular Client may not match the Adviser's expectations and underwriting and generate an actual return that would have been appropriate for the Client. Conversely, an Investment that the Adviser expects to be consistent with a Client's return objectives will, in certain circumstances, fail to achieve them. Furthermore, in certain circumstances where a Client is participating alongside one or more Other Blackstone Vehicles in an investment opportunity, the Adviser is expected to be required to make preliminary investment allocation decisions at the time of the funding of the deposit or the signing of the related purchase agreement (or equivalent) in respect thereof. In such circumstances, the Adviser could change the applicable investment allocations as between the Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicles between the funding of such deposit or signing of such agreement, on the one hand, and the closing of such investment opportunity as it determines appropriate based on a number of factors, including (i) available capital (taking into

account changes in capital commitment subscriptions, redemptions, transfers, deployment of capital, reserves for future investments among other factors), (ii) changes in concentration limits in respect of sector, industry, geographic region or markets in question or (iii) other reasons, in each case as determined by the Adviser in its good faith reasonable sole discretion, in which the Client's and such Other Blackstone Vehicles' respective obligations in respect of any applicable deposit and transaction costs and expenses (including broken deal fees and expenses) are expected to change correspondingly and such Client and such other Blackstone Vehicles are expected to reimburse each other for any over or under funding in respect thereof.

- Reallocation of Investments: The Adviser could determine at any point prior to the closing of an investment opportunity that any such investment opportunity that was initially allocated to a Client based on information available to the Adviser at the time the allocation decision is made should subsequently be reallocated in whole or in part to one or more Other Blackstone Vehicles (and *vice versa*) based on subsequent information received by the Adviser in respect of such investment opportunity (*e.g.*, an investment opportunity that the Adviser initially determines to be consistent with the return objectives of the Client could subsequently be determined to be consistent with the return objectives of one or more Other Blackstone Vehicles. In such circumstance, the Adviser could determine to reallocate all or any portion of any such investment opportunity from a Client to such Other Blackstone Vehicle (or *vice versa*) (such fund from which an investment opportunity is being reallocated, a "Reallocating Fund"), including in circumstances where such Reallocating Fund has entered into an exclusivity arrangement or other binding agreement with one or more third parties (any such reallocated investment opportunity, a "Reallocated Investment"). In such cases, if the non-Reallocating Fund agrees to pursue the investment, it will reimburse the Reallocating Fund for such amount of deferred acquisition costs (including non-refundable or refundable deposits, breakage fees, due diligence costs and other fees and expenses) as allocated to it by Blackstone, as Blackstone deems appropriate, in its sole discretion, incurred by the Reallocating Fund relating to such Reallocated Investment reallocated. To the extent a non-Reallocating Fund causes additional due diligence costs to be incurred for a Reallocating Investment it ultimately declines to pursue, such non-Reallocating Fund(s) will reimburse such incurred costs, as deemed appropriate by Blackstone in its sole discretion.

- Investment alongside other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles: A Client will also invest alongside other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles (including other vehicles in which Blackstone or its personnel invest) in Investments that are suitable for one or more of the Client and such other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles. To the extent a Client jointly holds securities with any other Client or Other Blackstone Vehicle that has a different expected duration or liquidity terms, conflicts of interest will arise between the Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicle with respect to the timing and manner of disposition of opportunities. In order to mitigate any such conflicts of interest, a Client may recuse itself from participating in any decisions relating, or with respect, to the Investment by a Client or Other Blackstone Vehicle. If the Other Blackstone Vehicle maintains voting rights with respect to the securities it holds, or if a Client does not recuse itself, Blackstone may be required to take action where it will have conflicting loyalties between its duties to Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles, which may adversely impact a Client. (See also “—*Other Blackstone Vehicles; Allocation of Investment Opportunities*” herein.) Even if the Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicles and/or co-investment or other vehicles invest in the same securities, conflicts of interest may still arise. For example, it is possible that as a result of legal, tax, regulatory, accounting or other considerations, the terms of such investment (including with respect to price and timing) for the Client and/or such Other Blackstone Vehicles and vehicles may not be the same. Additionally, the Client and/or such Other Blackstone Vehicles and/or vehicles will generally have different expiration dates and/or investment objectives (including return profiles) and Blackstone, as a result, may have conflicting goals with respect to the price and timing of disposition opportunities and such differences may also impact the allocation of investment opportunities. As such, the Client and/or such Other Blackstone Vehicles may dispose of any such shared investment (or choose whether to invest in related investments (such as follow-on investments)) at different times and on different terms. In certain instances, a Client and the applicable Other Blackstone Vehicles may acquire an interest in the same investment or Investment Vehicle at different times and/or dispose of any such shared Investment at different times and on different terms, for example, due to different desired hold periods or liquidity needs. It is also possible that a Client and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles will buy certain investments or assets at or about the same time that a Client and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles are selling the same or related investments or assets. Such circumstances can be expected to arise from time to time for a number of reasons and may depend on various factors including the respective amounts of available capital, expiration dates, investment objectives and/or return profiles of a Client and/or Other

Blackstone Vehicles. In addition, certain Other Blackstone Vehicles which are regulated under the 1940 Act (or foreign jurisdiction equivalent) and subject to certain exemption orders from the SEC (or equivalent regulator in a foreign jurisdiction) that invest alongside a Client may cause such Client to be subjected to restrictions and/or limitations that were not initially expected for such Client, nor would have ordinarily been expected for such Client, which may include, without limitation, a restriction on a Client from investing in an asset outside of a capital structure in which another Other Blackstone Vehicle already holds an interest or intends to invest, or on different terms or a different time than such Other Blackstone Vehicle. Furthermore, in certain situations, it is possible an advisor of such Other Blackstone Vehicles may need to serve as a co-advisor and/or sub-advisor to the Client as a result of such Other Blackstone Vehicle's regulated status. The Adviser will not be required to provide notice or disclosure of the terms or occurrence of any such transactions to Investors or to obtain any consent or approval from Investors and there can be no assurance that conflicts of interest arising out of such transactions will be resolved in favor of a Client. See also “—*Liability Arising From Transactions Entered into Alongside Other Blackstone Vehicles*” and “—*Broken Deal Expenses*”.

From time to time, investment opportunities that are appropriate for a Client may not be allocated to such Client in whole or in part, and Other Blackstone Vehicles will from time to time make or receive priority allocations of certain Investments that are appropriate for a Client and will from time to time participate in Investments alongside a Client.

Certain funds, vehicles, clients, accounts and other similar arrangements (including vehicles for retail investors), including, among others, Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles, are part of multi-strategy programs designed to provide investors with exposure to a broad mix of, and leverage the talent and investment capabilities of, Blackstone's key investment programs (*e.g.*, private equity, real estate, credit, tactical opportunities, secondaries, life sciences, infrastructure and growth). The Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles will seek to invest a material portion (and potentially substantially all) of their assets in investments in which Other Blackstone Vehicles participate, and, as part of their investment programs, can be expected to seek to make investments that are also appropriate for the Clients. The Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles (or any similar future Blackstone investment program) can be expected to, in addition to their investments through one or more Clients, nonetheless participate in investments alongside the Clients and certain Other Blackstone Vehicles with overlapping investment objectives (including through Blackstone's side-by-side co-investment rights, as described below), which will from time to time result in the Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles (or any similar future Blackstone investment program)

receiving a share of a substantial portion of investments made by the Clients, such that the Clients could receive a lower allocation (and potentially, in some cases, no allocation) of investment opportunities than otherwise would be the case. The overlapping objectives of the Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles (or any similar future Blackstone investment program) could also give rise to conflicts of interest relating to the allocation of investment opportunities between the Clients, on the one hand, and the Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles, on the other hand, which Blackstone will seek to resolve in a fair and equitable manner, although there is no assurance that Blackstone will be able to do so. (See also “—*Liability Arising from Transactions Entered into Alongside Other Blackstone Vehicles*” herein.) Blackstone intends to establish additional Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles in the future.

With respect to the BXPE Funds specifically, the BXPE Funds are currently expected to participate alongside the Clients in certain investments. However, such potential allocations to the BXPE Funds are subject to change in the Adviser’s sole discretion, and the portion of investments, if allocated to the BXPE Funds could be expected to be substantial, and could be expected to increase over time as the BXPE Funds’ available capital increases. In connection with the foregoing, the Clients could provide credit support (including in the form of a cross-collateralized subscription credit facility) to the BXPE Funds to facilitate their participation in one or more investments (see also “—*Credit Facilities*” herein), or acquire a portion of an investment with the intention of syndicating such portion to the BXPE Funds, in accordance with the Clients’ Organizational Documents.

Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles that include all aspects of the investment strategy(ies) pursued by the Clients within their investment programs are expected to invest generally alongside the Clients and other included Blackstone strategies, taking into account the considerations outlined above and those specified in “—*Co-Investment*” with respect to considerations regarding the allocation of co-investment opportunities. Additionally, such Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles are expected to invest alongside the Clients and other included Blackstone strategies in a programmatic or otherwise formulaic manner (*e.g.*, based on the relative available capital of such Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles and the Clients), including through participation in Blackstone’s side-by-side program, and any such methodology will be subject to adjustment on both a case-by-case and general basis from time to time. For certain open-ended Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles, such a vehicle’s “investment period,” for purposes of applying any such allocation methodology that is based on each participating vehicle’s “available capital” (where a vehicle’s “available capital” is determined based in part on the remaining duration of the vehicle’s “investment period”), will be determined by Blackstone in good faith taking into account such

considerations that it deems relevant and appropriate under the circumstances, including but not limited to the relevant vehicle's inception date, the date of the relevant investment, the vehicle's pace of deployment, and the expected time horizon of the investment, which determination could result in a Client participating in a particular investment to a greater or lesser extent than such Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles. It is generally expected that such vehicle's "available capital" for purposes of applying this allocation methodology will only include "available capital" of the vehicle (including, potentially, capital expected to be contributed to the vehicle in the future) that is expected to be invested in the particular strategy for which such methodology is being used, as determined by Blackstone in its discretion. In determining what a vehicle's "investment period" and "available capital" are for purposes of applying this allocation methodology, Blackstone will need to make subjective judgments and projections that could ultimately prove incorrect in hindsight. These determinations involve inherent conflicts of interest, and there can be no assurance that any such conflicts will be resolved in a manner that is favorable to the Clients.

Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles (such as the BXPE Funds) with investment objectives that overlap (to varying degrees) with only a portion of the investment strategy(ies) pursued by the Clients could also be allocated certain investment opportunities (in whole or in part) in lieu of the Clients on a case-by-case basis. See above with respect to certain considerations the Adviser is expected to take into account with respect to any allocation determinations, and "Co-Investment Opportunities" herein with respect to considerations regarding the allocation of co-investment opportunities. Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles could also be allocated co-investment opportunities alongside the Clients (in a programmatic or formulaic manner, and/or on a case-by-case basis). Any such Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles could grow significantly in size over time, and such vehicles could be allocated a substantial portion of any such investment opportunities (and in some cases, a majority thereof). Therefore, it is expected that, in connection with such Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles that are formed and are actively investing and which have investment objectives that overlap with all or a portion of the investment strategy(ies) pursued by the Client, the Clients will receive a lower allocation (and potentially, in some cases, no allocation) of investment opportunities than otherwise would be the case.

Other Blackstone Vehicles (including certain Blackstone Multi-Strategy Vehicles) will be regulated under the 1940 Act or foreign equivalent (each, a "Regulated Client") and could be subject to exemptive orders from the SEC or equivalent from other foreign regulators (as amended or superseded from time to time, the "Exemptive Orders"). Such Exemptive Orders, if required, could include restrictions and limitations that are not currently foreseen and extend beyond those described below. As a result, it is generally expected that the Clients investing alongside the

Regulated Clients will be subject to legal, tax, regulatory, accounting, contractual and other similar considerations, including without limitation those related to the 1940 Act (including any Exemptive Orders). Certain Regulated Clients have received, and others can be expected to receive, an Exemptive Order permitting the Regulated Clients to co-invest with certain other persons, including certain affiliates of Blackstone, and certain funds managed and controlled by the Adviser or Blackstone, including the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, and their affiliates, subject to certain terms and conditions. In order to permit the Clients to co-invest alongside a Regulated Client, it is possible the investment adviser of such Regulated Client will be required to serve, subject to applicable law, as an investment adviser to the Clients (including as a co-adviser or sub-adviser). For so long as any privately negotiated investment opportunity falls within certain established investment criteria of one or more Regulated Clients, such investment opportunity shall also be offered to such Regulated Client(s). In the event that the Clients co-invest alongside a Regulated Client, the Adviser and the investment adviser to the Regulated Client will determine a targeted amount of available capital for investment alongside the Clients, in accordance with the allocation considerations outlined above. In the event that the aggregate targeted investment sizes of the Clients, such Other Blackstone Vehicles and such Regulated Client(s) that are allocated an investment opportunity exceed the amount of such investment opportunity, allocation of such investment opportunity to each of the Clients, such Other Blackstone Vehicles and any applicable Regulated Client(s) will typically be reduced proportionately based on their respective “available capital” as defined in the applicable Exemptive Order, which could result in an allocation to the Clients in an amount less than what it would otherwise have been if such Regulated Client(s) did not participate in such investment opportunity. The Exemptive Order will also, in certain circumstances, restrict the ability of the Clients and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles to invest in any privately negotiated investment opportunity alongside a Regulated Client except at the same time and on the same terms, as described in the respective Exemptive Order. As a result, the Clients will be unable to make investments in different parts of the capital structure of the same issuer in which a Regulated Client has invested or seeks to invest, and Regulated Clients will be unable to make investments in different parts of the capital structure of the same issuer in which the Clients have invested or seek to invest. The foregoing restrictions could significantly limit the investment opportunities available to the Clients, particularly with respect to Regulated Clients that pursue the investment strategy(ies) pursued by the Clients within their investment programs and invest alongside the Clients programmatically. The rules promulgated by the SEC under the 1940 Act, as well as any related guidance from the SEC and/or the terms of any Exemptive Order itself, are subject to change, and the investment adviser of the Regulated Client(s) could undertake to amend the Exemptive Order (subject to SEC approval), obtain additional exemptive relief, or otherwise

be subject to other requirements in respect of investments involving the Clients, any Other Blackstone Vehicle and any Regulated Clients, any of which could impact the amount of any allocation made available to Regulated Clients and thereby affect (and potentially decrease) the allocation made to the Clients.

Due to the potential requirements applicable to Regulated Funds under an Exemptive Order, in the event that a Regulated Fund participates in an investment alongside a Client, the structuring options available for such investment are expected to be more limited than if a Regulated Fund were not participating in such investment, and such structuring could result in increased costs to the Client that would not otherwise have resulted had a Regulated Fund not participated. The Client could therefore incur materially higher expenses on an ongoing basis than would otherwise be the case, particularly with respect to Regulated Funds that include the Clients within their investment objective and invest alongside the Clients. In addition, the Clients are expected to structure investments in which a Regulated Fund participates differently than if a Regulated Fund were not participating, or make or refrain from making certain investments in consideration of the participation by a Regulated Fund, which can in each case give rise to conflicts of interest.

Loan Refinancings; Investments in Portfolio Entities. Clients will, in certain circumstances participate in investments relating to (i) the refinancing or modifications of loan investments or portfolios held or proposed to be acquired by certain Other Blackstone Vehicles, and Other Blackstone Vehicles may refinance a loan currently held by a Client and/or (ii) Portfolio Entities of one or more Other Blackstone Vehicles, including primary or secondary issuances of loans or other interests by such Portfolio Entities. Although such transactions may result in a Client indirectly providing proceeds to an Other Blackstone Vehicle (or *vice versa*), such transactions will not require the consent of, an Independent Client Representative, investor representative or Board or any Investor. In connection with any of the foregoing transactions, the Client may be required to pay pre-payment penalties to Other Blackstone Vehicles or their Portfolio Entities (or *vice versa*). Such transactions will give rise to potential or actual conflicts of interest, in addition to the risks inherent to such transactions generally. For example, if the Client refinances a loan held by an Other Blackstone Vehicle (or *vice versa*) and thereafter the asset yields a different return than expected, the refinancing party (and/or the original party to the loan) may ultimately benefit from (or be harmed by) the refinancing. Additionally, in the event an Other Blackstone Vehicle has committed to refinance a loan held by a Client but ultimately fails to consummate the transaction, it may be difficult for the Client to find another party to refinance the loan and the Client may need to hold the loan for a longer period than originally contemplated.

Investments in Which Other Blackstone Vehicles Have a Different Principal Investment Generally. A Client will likely hold an interest in a Portfolio Entity that is different (including with respect to relative seniority) than the interests held by other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles (and in certain circumstances, the Adviser will be unaware of an Other Blackstone Vehicle's participation or the size of the Other Blackstone Vehicle's investments, as a result of information walls or otherwise). Generally, there are no limitations in the Organizational Documents of the Client with respect to such investments (including with respect to terms, price, quantity, frequency, percentage interest therein or otherwise). In these situations, conflicts of interest will arise. In order to mitigate any such conflicts of interest, a Client could, in certain circumstances, recuse itself from participating in any decisions relating or with respect to such Investment by a Client or the applicable Investments by other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles, or by establishing groups separated by information barriers (which can be expected to be temporary and limited purpose in nature) within Blackstone to act on behalf of each of the Clients. Despite these, and any of the other actions described below that Blackstone may take to mitigate the conflict, Blackstone will, in certain circumstances, be required to take action when it will have conflicting loyalties between its duties to a Client and such other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles, which will, in certain circumstances, adversely impact the Client. In that regard, actions may be taken for other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles that are adverse to a Client (and *vice versa*). If a Client recuses itself from decision-making, it will generally rely upon a third party to make the decisions, and the third party could have conflicts or otherwise make decisions that Blackstone would not have made. These transactions involve conflicts of interest, as Blackstone will receive fees and other benefits, directly or indirectly, from or otherwise have interests in both parties to the transaction, including different financial incentives Blackstone may have with respect to the parties to the transaction. Except to the extent expressly subject to the Management Fee offset provisions of the Organizational Documents, the Investors will in no way receive any benefit from fees paid to the Adviser or its Affiliates from a Portfolio Entity in which any Other Blackstone Vehicle also has an interest (including, for greater certainty, any fees the Adviser or its affiliates received as a result of the provision of services by such Affiliates).

In addition, under certain circumstances, a Client may be prohibited (or refrain) from decision-making or exercising other rights it would otherwise have with respect to a Portfolio Entity, as a result of the Client's affiliation or other relationship with Other Blackstone Vehicles that own different interests in such Portfolio Entity. While the Adviser will seek, where applicable to have a third party exercise rights on behalf of the relevant Client for purposes of exercising voting rights and/or managing any conflicts of interest related to such investments (which may include third-

party co-investors or independent representatives), in certain instances such investments may be made without any such third-party participation (for example, because the Client owns or acquires the entirety of the relevant instrument or tranche) or with minority third-party participation, and in such circumstances the absence or size of any such third party could adversely affect the Client or its interest in the Portfolio Entity (or the applicable Other Blackstone Vehicle(s)) or its ability to effectively mitigate such conflicts of interest.

Clients and the Other Blackstone Vehicles will likely make and hold Investments at different levels of a Portfolio Entity's capital structure, which may include a Client making one or more Investments directly or indirectly relating to Portfolio Entities of Other Blackstone Vehicles and *vice versa* (including through investments in CMBS where the underlying properties are owned by Other Blackstone Vehicles). In these situations, conflicts of interest will arise, and the price and terms on which Clients agree to participate in such Investments will likely be negotiated by third parties (if any) participating alongside such Clients in such Investments, and not the Adviser. Other Blackstone Vehicles may also provide financing and make debt investments in the Client's special purpose vehicles and other subsidiaries which hold one or more of the Client's assets, and may obtain a collateral interest in the Client's assets held therein (*e.g.*, a NAV credit facility). Other Blackstone Vehicles could, in certain circumstances, also participate in a separate tranche of a financing with respect to a Portfolio Entity in which a Client has an interest or otherwise in different classes of such Portfolio Entity's securities, including in circumstances where a Client originates a whole loan and syndicates a portion of such loan to one or more Other Blackstone Vehicles or other credit instruments. Such Investments inherently give rise to conflicts of interest or perceived conflicts of interest between or among the various classes of securities that may be held by such entities – for example, a Client may represent the controlling class in respect of a financing and as such, may be required to make decisions for all investors, including Other Blackstone Vehicles in the capital structure and *vice versa*. In addition, in connection with any shared Investments in which a Client participates alongside any such Other Blackstone Vehicles, the Adviser will likely grant absolutely to, or share with, such Other Blackstone Vehicles certain rights relating to such shared Investments for legal, tax, regulatory or other reasons, including certain control- and/or foreclosure-related rights with respect to such shared Investments or otherwise agree to implement certain procedures to mitigate conflicts of interest which may include and often involve, without limitation, maintaining a non-controlling interest in any such Investment and a forbearance of rights, including certain non-economic rights (or retaining a third-party loan servicer, administrative agent or other agent for the relevant Investment held by a Client to make decisions on its behalf), relating to a Client (*e.g.*, following the vote of other third-party

lenders generally (or otherwise recusing itself with respect to decisions, including with respect to both normal course ongoing matters (such as, without limitation, consent rights with respect to loan modifications in intercreditor agreements) and also defaults, foreclosures, workouts, restructurings and/or exit opportunities), subject to certain limitations. With respect to debt securities acquired or sold in a secondary transaction or syndication between the Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles, the Adviser, or Blackstone and a third party in particular (following the issuance of origination of any financing or refinancing), the Adviser and/or such Other Blackstone Vehicles may determine that no mitigation of any potential conflicts of interest with respect to such acquisition or sale is required. Further, the Clients and such Other Blackstone Vehicle, Blackstone, or the Adviser are generally permitted to exit their holdings in such Portfolio Entity at different times, on different terms or otherwise on a non-*pro rata* basis, including for example, the Clients acquiring debt securities held by such Other Blackstone Vehicle, Blackstone, or the Adviser in such Portfolio Entity (which could be at par or at a discount) as a part of a control acquisition or debt buyback or otherwise. Blackstone or the Adviser can be expected to reach different conclusions for each such vehicle on the determination of whether, when and at what price to sell such securities based on the different termination dates, investment limitations and/or investment objectives of the Clients and such Other Blackstone Vehicles (including in light of the perpetual nature of certain Other Blackstone Vehicles), the Adviser, or Blackstone or for other reasons, and this could result in Other Blackstone Vehicles, the Adviser or Blackstone exiting its interests in a Portfolio Entity earlier or at a higher price than the Clients (or vice versa). While it is expected that the participation of a Client in connection with any such investments and transactions are expected to be negotiated by such third parties on market prices, such investments and transactions will give rise to potential or actual conflicts of interest. There can be no assurance that any conflict will be resolved in favor of the Client.

In addition, a Client may from time to time invest in debt securities and other obligations relating to Portfolio Entities of Other Blackstone Vehicles. There can be no assurance that the return on a Client's investment will be equivalent to or better than the returns obtained by the Other Blackstone Vehicles participating in the transaction (whether or not in the same tranche as the Client). In addition, it is possible that in a bankruptcy proceeding a Client's interests will be subordinated or otherwise adversely affected by virtue of such Other Blackstone Vehicles' involvement and actions relating to its Investment. For example, there may be senior debt instruments issued by a Portfolio Entity in which the Client holds or makes an Investment and in such circumstances the holders of more senior classes of debt issued by such Portfolio Entity (which may include Other Blackstone Vehicles) may take actions for their benefit (particularly in

circumstances where such Portfolio Entity faces financial difficulties or distress) that further subordinate or adversely impact the value of the Client's investment in such Portfolio Entity. In connection with negotiating loans and bank financings in respect of Blackstone-sponsored real estate related transactions, Blackstone will generally obtain the right to participate on its own behalf in a portion of the financings with respect to such Blackstone sponsored real estate-related transactions (including transactions where the underlying collateral includes property owned by Other Blackstone Vehicles) on an agreed upon set of terms. The Adviser does not believe that the foregoing arrangements have an effect on the overall terms and conditions negotiated with the arrangers of such senior loans. Because of the affiliation with Blackstone, the Adviser may have a greater incentive to invest in Blackstone-sponsored financings (as compared to real estate related financings sponsored by other real estate firms or financial sponsors). Except to the extent of fees paid to Adviser specifically relating to a Client's commitment or investment of capital, the Investors will in no way receive any benefit from fees paid to any Affiliate of the Adviser from a Portfolio Entity in which any Other Blackstone Vehicle also has an interest (including, for greater certainty, any fees Blackstone received as a result of the provision of services by such affiliates). To the extent a Client holds an interest in a loan or security that is different (including with respect to its relative seniority) than those held by such Other Blackstone Vehicles (and *vice versa*), such Client will forego some or all of its ability to participate in the decision-making with respect to the rights and actions available to the holders of the same or similar class of loan or security held by the Client. In certain circumstances, a Client may be required to commit funds necessary for an investment prior to the time that all anticipated debt (*e.g.*, senior and/or mezzanine) financing has been secured. In such circumstance, Other Blackstone Vehicles and/or Blackstone itself (using, in whole or in part, its own balance sheet capital), may provide bridge or other short-term financing and/or commitments, which at the time of establishment are intended to be replaced and/or syndicated with longer-term financing. Such bridge financing and/or commitment would not be considered a "co-investment" under the Organizational Documents of the Client and would be sold down ahead of the Client's Investment. Similarly, Clients and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles may seek to initially acquire investments (including all or part of the relevant tranche of securities) for the purpose of syndicating a portion thereof to one or more Other Blackstone Vehicles, co-investors or third parties. The terms of any such acquisition and syndication will be determined by the Adviser in its sole discretion, and may involve a client initially acquiring all or substantially all of an instrument or relevant tranche or class of securities with a view towards syndication. In any such circumstance, third parties may not be available for purposes of mitigating any potential conflicts of interest (as described above) and the Other Blackstone Vehicles and/or Blackstone itself may receive compensation for providing such financing and/or commitment (including

origination, ticking or commitment fees), which fees will not be shared with and/or otherwise result in an offset of Management Fees payable by the Investors. The conflicts applicable to Other Blackstone Vehicles who invest in different securities of Portfolio Entities will apply equally to Blackstone itself in such situations. (See also “—***Securities and Lending Activities***” and “—***Syndication; Warehousing***” herein.) In addition, conflicts can also be expected to arise in determining the amount of an investment, if any, to be allocated among potential investors and the respective terms thereof.

To the extent a Client makes or has an Investment in, or, through the purchase of debt obligations becomes a lender to, a company in which an Other Blackstone Vehicle has a debt or equity Investment (including through investments in CMBS where the underlying properties are owned by Other Blackstone Vehicles), or if an Other Blackstone Vehicle participates in a separate tranche of a financing with respect to a Portfolio Entity, Blackstone will generally have conflicting loyalties between its duties to a Client and to such Other Blackstone Vehicles. In that regard, actions may be taken for the Other Blackstone Vehicles that are adverse to the Client (and *vice versa*). Moreover, Clients will generally “follow the vote” of other similarly situated third-party creditors (if any) in voting and governance matters where conflicts of interest exist and will have a limited ability to separately protect its Investment and will be dependent upon such third parties’ actions (which may not be as capable as the Adviser and may have other conflicts arising from their other relationships, both with Blackstone and other third parties that could impact their decisions). The foregoing may similarly apply where one or more tenants of a property in which Clients have made a related Investment is related to the Adviser (*e.g.*, an Other Blackstone Vehicle, Investors of Clients or Investors in Other Blackstone Vehicles, other Blackstone Affiliates, Blackstone personnel or service providers of Clients, the Adviser or one or more of their Affiliates). For example, a Client may forego or waive certain consent rights as a lender vis-à-vis tenants, in which case such rights may be waived entirely, or exercised by other lenders, the borrower or a servicer, depending on the circumstances. The efficacy of “following the vote” of third-party creditors will be limited in circumstances where a Client acquires all or substantially all of a relevant instrument, tranche or class of securities. Such debt investments will generally include the Client obtaining a collateral interest in the property or company in which an Other Blackstone Vehicle holds an interest, and under certain circumstances (*e.g.*, a foreclosure), such Other Blackstone Vehicle’s interests in such property or company may be acquired by the Client (and the same may be the case where an Other Blackstone Vehicle holds a collateral interest in one or more of the Client’s assets), any Investor or any Independent Client Representative. In

addition, conflicts can also be expected to arise in determining the amount of an investment, if any, to be allocated among potential investors and the respective terms thereof.

Simultaneous Transactions. There may be instances where Blackstone negotiates transactions with counterparties that involve a Client, an Other Blackstone Vehicle and/or Blackstone in different capacities. For example, a Client may sell or purchase an interest in a portfolio company to or from a counterparty (such as another sponsor's fund), while the same counterparty acquires or sells an interest in a portfolio company of an Other Blackstone Vehicle or Blackstone. While these transactions may be separate or non-contingent, due to the simultaneous or closely related timing of these transactions, there may be actual or perceived conflicts of interest in connection with such transactions due to Blackstone's duties to a Client on one hand, and such Other Blackstone Vehicle or Blackstone participating in the related transaction on the other, for example with respect to ensuring each transaction is separately in the best interest of the applicable Other Blackstone Vehicle and a Client and that the valuations are fair and reasonable to each respective fund, among other things. To mitigate such conflicts, Blackstone could, for example, negotiate each such transaction independently and ensure there is not a cross-conditioned closing of the two transactions, to ensure that the terms of each such transaction stand on their own.

Related Financing Counterparties. Clients can be expected to invest in companies or other entities in which Other Blackstone Vehicles make an investment in a different part of the capital structure (and *vice versa*). The Adviser requests in the ordinary course proposals from lenders and other sources to provide financing to Clients and their Portfolio Entities. The Adviser takes into account various facts and circumstances it deems relevant in selecting financing sources, including whether a potential lender has expressed an interest in evaluating debt financing opportunities, whether a potential lender has a history of participating in debt financing opportunities generally and with Blackstone in particular, the size of the potential lender's loan amount, the timing of the relevant cash requirement, the availability of other sources of financing, the creditworthiness of the lender, whether the potential lender has demonstrated a long-term or continuing commitment to the success of Blackstone and its funds, and such other factors that Blackstone deems relevant under the circumstances. The cost of debt alone is not determinative.

Debt financing to the Clients and their Portfolio Entities is expected to be provided, from time to time, by third parties, affiliates of Investors, Other Blackstone Vehicles and investors therein, their Portfolio Entities and other parties with material relationships with Blackstone, such as shareholders of and lenders to Blackstone and lenders to Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, as well as by Blackstone itself in accordance with the terms of the Organizational

Documents. Blackstone could have incentives to cause a Client and its Portfolio Entities to accept less favorable financing terms from an Investor, Other Blackstone Vehicles, their Portfolio Entities and Investors, Blackstone and other parties with material relationships with Blackstone than it would from a third party. The same concerns apply when any of these other parties invest in a more senior position in the capital structure of a Portfolio Entity than such Client, even if the form of the transaction is not a financing. Although less common, a Client or a Portfolio Entity could also occupy a more senior position in the capital structure than an Investor, Other Blackstone Vehicle, their Portfolio Entities and other parties with material relationships with Blackstone, in which case Blackstone could have an incentive to cause such Client or Portfolio Entity to offer more favorable financing terms to such parties. In the case of a related party financing between a Client or its Portfolio Entities, on the one hand, and Blackstone, Other Blackstone Vehicles or their Portfolio Entities, on the other hand, the Adviser could, but is not obligated to, rely on a third-party agent to confirm the terms offered by the counterparty are consistent with market terms, or the Adviser could instead rely on its own internal analysis, which the Adviser believes is often superior to third-party analysis given Blackstone's scale in the market. If, however, any of Blackstone, a Client, an Other Blackstone Vehicle or any of their Portfolio Entities delegates to a third party, such as another member of a financing syndicate or a Joint Venture Partner, the negotiation of the terms of the financing, the transaction will be assumed to be conducted on an arms-length basis, even though the participation of the Blackstone related vehicle impacts the market terms and Blackstone may have influence on such third parties. For example, in the case of a loan extended to a Client or a Portfolio Entity by a financing syndicate in which an Other Blackstone Vehicle has agreed to participate on terms negotiated by a third-party participant in the syndicate, it may have been necessary to offer better terms to the financing provider to fully subscribe the syndicate if the Other Blackstone Vehicle had not participated; it is also possible that the frequent participation of Other Blackstone Vehicles in such syndicates could dampen interest among other potential financing providers, thereby lowering demand to participate in the syndicate and increasing the financing costs to a Client. The Adviser does not believe either of these effects is significant, but no assurance can be given to Investors that these effects will not be significant in any circumstance. The Adviser will not be required to obtain any consent or seek any approvals from Investors, in the case of any of these conflicts.

Blackstone could cause actions adverse to a Client to be taken for the benefit of Other Blackstone Vehicles that have made an Investment more senior in the capital structure of a Portfolio Entity than such Client (*e.g.*, provide financing to a Portfolio Entity, the equity of which is owned by a Client) and, *vice versa*, actions will, in certain circumstances, be taken for the benefit of such Client

and its Portfolio Entities that are adverse to Other Blackstone Vehicles. Blackstone could seek to implement procedures to mitigate conflicts of interest in these situations such as (i) a forbearance of rights, including some or all non-economic rights, by a Client or relevant Other Blackstone Vehicle (or their respective Portfolio Entities, as the case may be) by, for example, agreeing to follow the vote of a third party in the same tranche of the capital structure, or otherwise deciding to recuse itself with respect to decisions on defaults, foreclosures, workouts, restructurings and other similar matters, (ii) causing a Client or relevant Other Blackstone Vehicle (or their respective Portfolio Entities, as the case may be) to hold only a non-controlling interest in any such Portfolio Entity, (iii) retaining a third-party loan servicer, administrative agent or other agent to make decisions on behalf of a Client or relevant Other Blackstone Vehicle (or their respective Portfolio Entities, as the case may be), or (iv) creating groups of personnel within Blackstone separated by information barriers (which can be expected to be temporary and limited purpose in nature), each of which would advise one of the clients that has a conflicting position with other clients. As an example, to the extent an Other Blackstone Vehicle holds an interest in a loan or security that is different (including with respect to relative seniority) than those held by a Client or its Portfolio Entities, Blackstone may decline to exercise, or delegate to a third party, certain control, foreclosure and other similar governance rights of the Other Blackstone Vehicle. In these cases, Blackstone would generally act on behalf of one of its clients, though the other client would generally retain certain control rights, such as the right to consent to certain actions taken by the trustee or administrative or other agent of the Investment, including a release, waiver, forgiveness or reduction of any claim for principal or interest; extension of maturity date or due date of any payment of any principal or interest; release or substitution of any material collateral; release, waiver, termination or modification of any material provision of any guaranty or indemnity; subordination of any lien; and release, waiver or permission with respect to any covenants.

In connection with negotiating loans and bank financings in respect of Blackstone-sponsored transactions, Blackstone will generally obtain the right to participate (for its own account or an Other Blackstone Vehicle) in a portion of the financings with respect to such Blackstone-sponsored transactions on the same terms negotiated by third parties with Blackstone or other terms the Adviser determines to be consistent with the market. Although Blackstone could rely on third parties to verify market terms, Blackstone may nonetheless have influence on such third parties. No assurance can be given that negotiating with a third party, or verification of market terms by a third party, will ensure that a Client and its Portfolio Entities receive market terms.

In addition, it is anticipated that in a bankruptcy proceeding a Client's interests will likely be subordinated or otherwise adverse to the interests of Other Blackstone Vehicles with ownership

positions that are more senior to those of such Client. For example, an Other Blackstone Vehicle that has provided debt financing to an Investment of a Client may take actions for its benefit, particularly if the Client's Investment is in financial distress, which adversely impact the value of the Client's subordinated interests.

Although Other Blackstone Vehicles can be expected to provide financing to a Client or its Portfolio Entities, there can be no assurance that any Other Blackstone Vehicle will indeed provide any such financing with respect to any particular Investment. Participation by Other Blackstone Vehicles in some but not all financings of a Client and its Portfolio Entities may adversely impact the ability of a Client and its Portfolio Entities to obtain financing from third parties when Other Blackstone Vehicles do not participate, as it may serve as a negative signal to market participants.

Any financing provided by an Investor or an Affiliate to a Client or a Portfolio Entity is not a capital contribution to such Client. To the extent any Investor in a Client (or Investor in any Other Blackstone Vehicle) or any of its Affiliates provides debt financing to such Client or its Portfolio Entities, it will not be considered "co-investment" and any applicable covenants regarding co-investments in the Organizational Documents will not apply.

Conflicting Fiduciary Duties to Debt Funds. Other Blackstone Vehicles include Debt Funds and accounts that make investments in senior secured loans, distressed debt, subordinated debt, high-yield securities, CMBS and other debt instruments. As discussed above, it is expected that Clients and these Other Blackstone Vehicles will be offered the opportunity to provide financing with respect to Investments made by a Client and its Portfolio Entities. Blackstone owes a fiduciary duty to all Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles and will encounter conflicts in the exercise of these duties. For example, if an Other Blackstone Vehicle purchases high-yield securities or other debt instruments of a Portfolio Entity of a particular Client, or otherwise occupies a senior (or other different) position in the capital structure of an Investment relative to a particular Client, Blackstone will encounter conflicts in providing advice to this Client and to the other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles with regard to appropriate terms of such high-yield securities or other instruments, the enforcement of covenants, the terms of recapitalizations and the resolution of workouts or bankruptcies, among other matters. Less commonly, a Client could hold an Investment that is senior in the capital structure, such as a debt instrument, to another Client or Other Blackstone Vehicle. Although measures described above in "***—Related Financing Counterparties***" can mitigate these conflicts, they cannot completely eliminate them.

Similarly, certain Other Blackstone Vehicles can be expected to invest in securities of publicly traded companies that are actual or potential Investments of a Client or its Portfolio Entities. The trading activities of Other Blackstone Vehicles may differ from or be inconsistent with activities that are undertaken for the account of a Client or its Portfolio Entities in any such securities. In addition, a Client may not pursue an Investment in a Portfolio Entity otherwise within the investment mandate of such Client as a result of such trading activities by Other Blackstone Vehicles.

Conflicting Fiduciary Duties to Other Real Estate-Related Funds and Vehicles. It is expected that Blackstone will structure certain Investments as a result of which one or more Other Blackstone Vehicles or Investors therein are offered the opportunity to participate in the same or a separate debt tranche of an Investment allocated to a particular Client (and *vice versa*). As investment adviser to both the Clients and such Other Blackstone Vehicles, Blackstone owes a fiduciary duty to these Other Blackstone Vehicles and Investors therein as well as to the applicable Client and will encounter conflicts in the exercise of these duties. If the Client holds a “mezzanine” interest in a Portfolio Entity and one or more of such other funds or vehicles were to own the mortgage debt or other debt instruments relating to such Portfolio Entity, Blackstone will face a conflict of interest in respect of the advice it gives to, or the decisions made with regard to, the Client and such other funds and/or vehicles (*e.g.*, with respect to the terms of such senior mortgage debt or other instruments, the enforcement of covenants, the terms of recapitalizations and the resolution of workouts or bankruptcies, among other matters). (See **Item 5 – “Other Fees Payable to the Adviser and its Affiliates”** above.)

Similarly, certain Other Blackstone Vehicles can be expected to invest in securities of publicly traded companies that are actual or potential Investments of a particular Client or its Portfolio Entities. The trading activities of Other Blackstone Vehicles may differ from or be inconsistent with activities that are undertaken for the account of a particular Client or its Portfolio Entities in any such securities, including with respect to the times at which such securities are acquired or disposed of. In addition, a Client may not pursue an Investment in a Portfolio Entity otherwise within the investment mandate of a Client as a result of such trading activities by Other Blackstone Vehicles.

Related Financing of Counterparties to Acquire Assets from, or Sell Assets to, a Client and its Portfolio Entities. In certain transactions, Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles will commit to and/or provide financing to third parties that bid for and/or purchase assets from a particular Client or its Portfolio Entities. Generally, there are no limitations in the Organizational Documents of the

Clients with respect to such investments (including with respect to terms, price, quantity, frequency, percentage interest therein or otherwise). In addition, a Client and its Portfolio Entities will, from time to time, purchase assets or portfolio companies from third parties that obtain, or currently have outstanding, debt financing from Other Blackstone Vehicles. (See also “—***Related Financing Counterparties***” herein.) Although Blackstone believes that the participation by other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles in such debt financings could be beneficial to the Client by supporting third parties in their efforts to bid on the sale of assets by, and to sell assets to, the Client and its Portfolio Entities, Blackstone will have an incentive to cause a Client or relevant Portfolio Entity to elect to sell an asset to, or purchase an asset from, a third party that obtains debt financing from another Client or Other Blackstone Vehicle to the potential detriment of a Client. For example, although price is often the deciding factor in selecting from whom to acquire, or to whom to sell, an asset, other factors at times influence the buyer or the seller, as the case may be. The Adviser could therefore cause a Client or a Portfolio Entity to sell an asset to, or buy an asset from, a third party that has received financing from another Client or Other Blackstone Vehicle, even when such third party has not offered the most attractive price. Investors rely on the Adviser to select in its sole discretion the best overall buyer in sales, and the best overall seller in the acquisition, of Client assets, despite any conflict related to the parties financing the buyer or the seller, as applicable.

Providing Debt Financings in connection with Acquisitions by Third Parties of Assets Owned by Other Blackstone Vehicles (and vice versa). Clients will, in certain circumstances, provide financing as part of a third-party purchaser’s bid or acquisition of (or Investment in) a Portfolio Entity or the underlying assets thereof from one or more Other Blackstone Vehicles (or in connection with acquisitions by one or more other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles or their affiliates of assets or interests (and/or portfolios thereof) owned by a third party), and there are generally no limitations in the Organizational Documents of the Client with respect to such investments (including with respect to terms, price, quantity, frequency, percentage interest therein or otherwise). This may include making commitments to provide financing at, prior to or around the time that any such purchaser commits to or makes such Investments. While the terms and conditions of any such arrangements will generally be based on market terms, the involvement of the other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles or Affiliates may affect the credit decisions and the terms of such transactions or arrangements, which will give rise to potential or actual conflicts of interest and which may adversely impact a Client. For example, such transactions may involve the partial or complete payoff of such loans (with related proceeds being received by the applicable Other Blackstone Vehicles) and/or otherwise result in restructurings of terms and pricing relating

to such existing loans with the borrowers thereof in respect of which such Other Blackstone Vehicles may receive refinancing proceeds and/or a retained interest in such loans in accordance with such restructuring arrangements. Additionally, in certain situations a Client may not commit to provide financing until a third party has committed to make a deposit in connection with the acquisition of an investment from an Other Blackstone Vehicle, which may result in a Client being disadvantaged in the overall bid process or potentially not consummating the Investment.

Related Financing Providers. The Adviser may request in the ordinary course proposals from lenders and other sources to provide financing to Clients. The Adviser takes into account various facts and circumstances it deems relevant in selecting financing sources, including whether a potential lender has expressed an interest in evaluating debt financing opportunities, whether a potential lender has a history of participating in debt financing opportunities generally and with Blackstone in particular, the size of the potential lender's loan amount, the timing of the relevant cash requirement, the availability of other sources of financing, the creditworthiness of the lender, whether the potential lender has demonstrated a long-term or continuing commitment to the success of Blackstone and its funds, and such other factors that Blackstone deems relevant under the circumstances. The cost of debt alone is not determinative.

Debt financing to Clients is expected to be provided, from time to time, by Other Blackstone Vehicles, their Portfolio Entities and other parties with material relationships with Blackstone, such as shareholders of and lenders to Blackstone and lenders to Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities. Blackstone could have incentives to cause Clients to accept less favorable financing terms from Other Blackstone Vehicles, their Portfolio Entities and other parties with material relationships with Blackstone than it would from a third party.

Liability Arising From Transactions Entered into Alongside Other Blackstone Vehicles. Participating in Investments alongside Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles will subject a particular Client to a number of risks and conflicts (and, in certain circumstances, the Adviser will be unaware of an Other Blackstone Vehicle's participation, as a result of information walls or otherwise). At times, a transaction counterparty will, in certain circumstances, require facing only one fund entity, which can be expected to result in (i) if a Client is a direct counterparty to a transaction, a Client being solely liable with respect to its own share as well as other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles' shares of any applicable obligations, or (ii) if a Client is not the direct counterparty, a Client having a contribution obligation to the relevant other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles. Alternatively, a counterparty could agree to face multiple funds, which could result in a Client being jointly and severally liable alongside other Clients and Other Blackstone

Vehicles for the full amount of the applicable obligations. Similarly, there may be transactions with respect to which, to address legal, tax, regulatory, administrative or other commercial considerations, Blackstone determines to utilize the Client to make an investment commitment for a proposed investment on behalf of itself and one or more Other Blackstone Vehicles (or vice versa) with the expectation that such Other Blackstone Vehicle (or the Client, as applicable) assumes its share of the relevant funding obligation prior to closing. In cases in which a Client could be responsible for the liability of another Client or Other Blackstone Vehicle, or *vice versa*, the applicable parties would generally enter into a back-to-back or other similar contribution or reimbursement agreement. Likewise, for certain Investment-related hedging transactions, it can be expected to be advantageous for counterparties to trade solely with a Client (or the relevant parallel fund). For these transactions, it is anticipated that a Client (or the relevant parallel fund) would then enter into back-to-back trade confirmations or other similar arrangements with the relevant parallel fund or Other Blackstone Vehicles. The party owing under such an arrangement may not have resources to pay its liability, however, in which case the other party will bear more than its *pro rata* share of the relevant loss. In certain circumstances where a Client participates in an Investment alongside any Other Blackstone Vehicle, to the fullest permitted by applicable law, the Client may bear more than its *pro rata* share of relevant expenses related to such Investment, including, but not limited to, as the result of such Other Blackstone Vehicle's insufficient reserves or inability to call capital contributions to cover expenses. It is not expected that a Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles will be compensated for agreeing to be primarily liable vis-à-vis a third-party counterparty. Moreover, in connection with the divestment of all or part of a Portfolio Entity (*e.g.*, an IPO) and/or the wind-down of a Portfolio Entity, Blackstone will seek to track the ownership interests, liabilities and obligations of a Client and any Other Blackstone Vehicles owning an interest in the Portfolio Entity comprising such operating business, but it is possible that a Client and applicable Other Blackstone Vehicles will, in certain circumstances, incur shared, disproportionate or crossed liabilities. Furthermore, depending on various factors including the relative assets, expiration dates, investment objectives and return profiles of each Client and such Other Blackstone Vehicles, it is possible that one or more of them will have greater exposure to legal claims and that they will have conflicting goals with respect to the price, timing and manner of disposition opportunities. Finally, in certain circumstances, if a Client is participating in an investment alongside an Other Blackstone Vehicle (including a co-investment vehicle), the Client could also bear more than its *pro rata* share of expenses relating to such investment if such Other Blackstone Vehicle does not have resources to bear such expenses (including, but not limited to, as a result of insufficient reserves and/or the inability to call capital contributions to cover such expenses).

Syndication; Warehousing. Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Joint Venture Partners, Affiliates or related parties of the foregoing could, subject to the limitations in the applicable Organizational Documents, commit to or initially acquire an Investment as principal and subsequently sell some or all of it to a Client, Other Blackstone Vehicle or co-investors in an affiliate or related party transaction. Similarly, subject to the limitations in the applicable Organizational Documents, a Client will, in certain circumstances, commit to or initially acquire an Investment and subsequently syndicate, or sell some or all of it, to Blackstone, Other Blackstone Vehicles, co-investors, Joint Venture Partners, or Affiliates or related parties of the foregoing or other third parties (which may result from a determination by the Adviser that such person has the ability to add value to an Investment in light of its relationships, experience, geographic location, market or industry knowledge, or other relevant attributes as determined by the Adviser), notwithstanding the availability of capital from the Investors and other investors thereof or applicable credit facilities. If any such intended syndication is not ultimately consummated, Blackstone, Clients or the other party that initially acquires such portion will be expected to retain it, leading to Clients or such other party having more of the Investment initially intended to be syndicated than it would otherwise have had if such syndication had not initially been contemplated. For the avoidance of doubt, certain Other Blackstone Vehicles participating in such Investment will likely not take part in any such syndication in the same manner or to the same extent (if at all), or may participate in a syndication alongside a Client but at a different interest rate, due to legal, regulatory, accounting, administrative or other considerations. The Adviser may cause these transfers to be made at cost, or cost plus an interest rate or carrying cost charged from the time of acquisition to the time of transfer, notwithstanding that the fair market value of any such Investments may have declined below or increased above cost from the date of acquisition to the time of such transfer. The Adviser may also determine another methodology for pricing these transfers, including fair market value at the time of transfer. Also, the Adviser will, in certain circumstances, charge fees on these transfers to either or both of the parties to them. In respect of certain Clients, the Adviser or its Affiliates will from time to time be permitted to retain any portion of an Investment initially acquired by them with a view to syndication to co-investors or other potential purchasers to the extent such portion has not been syndicated after reasonable efforts to do so. Conflicts of interest are expected to arise in connection with these affiliate transactions, including with respect to timing, structuring, pricing and other terms. For example, the Adviser will have a conflict of interest when the Adviser receives fees, including performance-based compensation, from an Other Blackstone Vehicle acquiring from or transferring to a Client all or a portion of an investment.

Furthermore, the Adviser and its affiliates have the right to commit to or initially acquire a portion of an Investment alongside a Client if it intends to syndicate such amounts to Other Blackstone Vehicles or third parties (which may include one or more investors in Other Blackstone Vehicles), and to retain such amounts not ultimately syndicated after having used reasonable efforts to syndicate. The equity committed/used in any such underwriting by the Adviser and its Affiliates may come from Blackstone's own balance sheet and/or from one or more third parties that enter into arrangements with Blackstone with respect thereto, and may come from an Other Blackstone Vehicle. In such circumstances, Blackstone will have the right to earn underwriting and/or syndication fees from a Client, the Portfolio Entity, or the purchasers of such equity, and Clients and the Investors will not be entitled to share in or receive the benefit of any such underwriting and/or syndication fees. As a result, the Adviser may be incentivized to underwrite and/or syndicate amounts of equity in Investments due to the right to earn fees not subject to offset in favor of the Investors, even if the capital used to underwrite such amounts does not come entirely from Blackstone's own balance sheet as described above, and Blackstone may share such fees with one or more third parties that commit to such equity investments and may charge purchasers of the equity fees and carried interest with respect thereto. See also "*—Securities and Lending Activities*" herein.

More specifically, a Client could, in certain circumstances, initially acquire all or a portion of certain Investments (including through borrowings on a subscription-based credit facility or from Blackstone itself) intended as co-investments as described herein and syndicate all or part of such co-investments to one or more co-investors. The value of the Investment during such period could increase by a greater amount, but a Client will not receive the full benefit of such increase.

Liquidity Risks. Under certain market conditions, the liquidity of a Client's positions may be reduced. During such times, the Adviser may be unable to effectively dispose of certain of a Client's assets, which could, inter alia, adversely affect its ability to rebalance the Client's liquid investment portfolio. Such circumstances may also force the Adviser to dispose of a Client's assets at reduced prices, thereby adversely affecting the Client's performance. The existence of other market participants seeking to dispose of similar assets at the same time could also adversely affect a Client's liquidity and the Adviser's ability to prevent losses with respect to such assets. In addition, if a Client incurs substantial trading losses, the need for liquidity could rise sharply while access to liquidity could be impaired.

A Client may invest in instruments with market prices that tend to be volatile and may not be readily ascertainable. The Adviser may not be able to sell such Investments (due to market

conditions and/or contractual restrictions) or be able to otherwise realize their value, which could affect the Adviser's ability to effectively manage a Client's investment portfolio. There is no guarantee that the value as determined by the Adviser in good faith will represent the value that will be realized by a Client upon disposition.

Origination Fees. Origination fees with respect to a Client's Investments can be paid to the Adviser, in which case Management Fees will not be offset except as expressly provided for in the applicable Organizational Documents. Alternatively, a Client could receive the origination fees directly, in which case there will be no Management Fee offset. The Adviser will generally receive a greater economic benefit by structuring the origination fee to be paid to it directly, subject to any applicable Management Fee offset, and may do so in its sole discretion. Origination fees paid to the Adviser or a Client in connection with a transaction could be allocated to Other Blackstone Vehicles or co-investment vehicles that invest (or are expected to invest) alongside a Client, as determined by the Adviser to be appropriate in the circumstances.

Broken Deal Expenses. Any expenses incurred by the Clients for actual Investments as described herein or in the Organizational Documents will also be incurred by the Clients with respect to broken deals (*i.e.*, investments or proposed dispositions that are not consummated). The Adviser is not required to and in most circumstances will not seek reimbursement of broken deal expenses (*i.e.*, expenses incurred in pursuit of an investment or disposition that is not consummated) from third parties, including counterparties to the potential transaction or potential co-investors (including standing co-investment vehicles established to participate in co-investment opportunities alongside the Clients on a regular or periodic basis and/or as part of an overall co-investment program or arrangement). Moreover, expenses related to the organization of co-investment vehicles formed to invest in a transaction that was ultimately not consummated are expected to be borne by the Clients, and not the proposed co-investors thereof. Examples of such broken deal expenses include, but are not limited to, reverse termination fees, extraordinary expenses such as litigation costs and judgments, meal, travel and entertainment expenses incurred, deposits or down payments which are forfeited in connection with unconsummated transactions, costs of negotiating co-investment documentation (including non-disclosure agreements with counterparties), the costs from onboarding (*i.e.*, KYC) investment entities with a financial institution, commitment fees that become payable in connection with a proposed investment, legal, tax, accounting and consulting fees and expenses (including all expenses incurred in connection with any tax audit, investigation settlement or review of the Clients, and any expenses of the applicable Client's partnership representative or its designated individual), printing and publishing

expenses, and legal, accounting, tax and other due diligence and pursuit costs and expenses (including, for the avoidance of doubt, any Consultant expenses and including, in certain instances, broken deal expenses associated with services provided by Portfolio Entities, as detailed below), which will include expenses incurred prior to the commencement of a Client's effective date.

Any such broken deal expenses could, in the sole discretion of the Adviser, be allocated solely to the Clients and not to other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles or co-investment vehicles (including committed co-investment vehicles) that could have made the Investment (including any situation where an Other Blackstone Vehicle was initially allocated an investment opportunity and incurred such expenses before such investment opportunity was reallocated to a Client), even when the other Client or Other Blackstone Vehicle or co-investment vehicle commonly invests alongside the Clients in their Investments or Blackstone or other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles in their Investments (including standing co-investment vehicles). In such cases the Clients' shares of expenses would increase. Until a potential investment of the Clients is formally allocated to an Other Blackstone Vehicle and/or potential co-investors (it being understood that final allocation decisions are typically made shortly prior to closing an investment), the Clients are expected to bear the broken deal expenses for such investment, (even if it was anticipated that such potential investment might be formally allocated to an Other Blackstone Client and/or potential co-investors instead of a Client), which can result in substantial amounts of broken deal expenses being borne by the Client. In the event broken deal expenses are allocated to another Client or Other Blackstone Vehicle or a co-investment vehicle, the Adviser or Clients will, in certain circumstances, advance such fees and expenses without charging interest until paid by the Client or Other Blackstone Vehicle or co-investment vehicle, as applicable. Additionally, certain co-investment vehicles, or certain potential co-investors, including Other Blackstone Vehicles, who might have invested in a transaction had it been consummated, such as potential investors in co-investment structures relating to a specific investment where the legally binding agreements relating to such co-investment are not executed until the time of the deal closing, will not be allocated any share of any break-up or topping fees or broken deal expenses (and such expenses will be allocated to the Clients), unless the Adviser determines otherwise in its discretion or as may be set forth in the relevant Organizational Documents or as required by applicable law. In addition, certain Portfolio Entities will provide transaction support services (including identifying potential investments) to the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities in respect of certain investments that are not ultimately consummated. (See also "**Portfolio Entity Service Providers and Vendors**" herein.) The Adviser will endeavor in good faith to allocate such broken deal-related costs to the Clients and such Other Blackstone Vehicles as it deems appropriate under the

particular circumstances, including the allocation of certain expenses equally among the vehicles that were expected to participate in an investment that was not consummated. Any methodology used to determine the allocation of such broken deal expenses to the Clients and any Other Blackstone Clients or co-investment vehicles (including the choice thereof) involves inherent conflicts and will not result in perfect attribution and allocation of such costs, and there can be no assurance that a different manner of allocation would not result in the Clients and their Portfolio Entities bearing less, more, or the same amount of such costs. Further, any of the foregoing costs, although allocated in a particular period, could be allocated based on activities occurring outside such period. The allocation of any of the foregoing costs can be expected to be based on any of a number of different methodologies, including, without limitation, the aggregate value or number of, or invested capital in, transactions consummated in the applicable prior quarter), and therefore a Client could, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, pay more than its *pro rata* portion of such cost based on its actual usage of such services.

Other Blackstone Business Activities. Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, their Portfolio Entities, and personnel and related parties of the foregoing will receive fees and compensation, including performance-based and other incentive fees, which could be substantial, for products and services provided to a Client and its Portfolio Entities, such as fees for asset management (including, without limitation, management fees and performance-based compensation), development and property management; arranging; portfolio operations support (such as those provided by Blackstone’s Portfolio Operations Group); arranging, underwriting; syndication or refinancing of a loan or Investment (or other additional fees, including acquisition fees, loan modification or restructuring fees); servicing; loan servicing; special servicing; administrative services; advisory services on purchase or sale of an asset or company; advisory services; investment banking and capital markets services; treasury and valuation, placement agent services; fund administration; internal legal and tax planning services; information technology products and services; insurance procurement, brokerage, solutions and risk management services; data extraction and management products and services; BX Energy Services; fees for monitoring and oversight of loans, property, title and/or other types of insurance provided to Portfolio Entities and/or third parties; and other products and services (including but not limited to restructuring, consulting, monitoring, commitment, syndication, origination, organizational and financing, and divestment services). (See also “—***Blackstone Affiliate Service Providers***” herein.) For example, Blackstone or an Other Blackstone Vehicle may, directly or indirectly through a portfolio entity, from time to time, acquire certain assets, loans or other interests for the purpose of syndicating some or all of such assets, loans or other interests to a Client and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles,

and may receive syndication or other fees in connection therewith. Other than as expressly set forth in the Organizational Documents, such fees shall not be applied to offset Management Fees and Investors of the Clients will not share therein. In addition, following an exit of a Client's Investment in a Portfolio Entity, Other Blackstone Vehicles may continue to hold interests (debt and/or equity) in such Portfolio Entity, and Blackstone may begin to earn fees or continue to earn fees from such Portfolio Entity for providing services to such Portfolio Entity, including, but not limited to, capital markets advice, group purchasing and health care brokerage, insurance and other similar services, which in each case will not offset or reduce the Management Fee. Conflicts of interest are expected to arise when a Portfolio Entity enters into arrangements with Blackstone on or about the time a Client exits its Investment in such Portfolio Entity. Such parties will also provide products and services for fees to Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, and their personnel and related parties, as well as third parties, as applicable. Further, such parties could provide products and services for fees to a Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities in circumstances where third-party service providers are concurrently providing similar services to a Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities. Through its Innovations group, Blackstone incubates (or otherwise invests in) businesses that can be expected to provide goods and services to Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, as well as other Blackstone related parties and third parties. By contracting for a product or service from a business related to Blackstone, a Client and its Portfolio Entities would provide not only current income to the business and its stakeholders, but could also create significant enterprise value in them, which would not be shared with a Client or Investors and could benefit Blackstone directly and indirectly. Also, Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, and their personnel and related parties will, in certain circumstances, receive compensation or other benefits, such as through additional ownership interests or otherwise, directly related to the consumption of products and services by a Client and its Portfolio Entities. A Client and its Portfolio Entities will incur expenses in negotiating for any such fees and services, which will be treated as partnership expenses. In addition, the Adviser can be expected to receive fees associated with capital invested by co-investors relating to Investments in which a Client participates or otherwise, in connection with a joint venture in which a Client participates or otherwise with respect to assets or other interests retained by a seller or other commercial counterparty with respect to which the Adviser performs services. Finally, Blackstone and its personnel and related parties will, in certain circumstances, also receive compensation for origination expenses and with respect to unconsummated transactions.

A Client will, in certain circumstances, engage a third-party administrator to provide certain administrative services to such Client. A Client will, as determined by the Adviser and as permitted by the Organizational Documents, bear the cost of fund administration, in-house legal and accounting (including, without limitation, maintenance of a Client's books and records, preparation of net asset value and other valuation support services, as applicable (*e.g.*, valuation model and methodology review, review of third party due diligence conclusions and sample testing); preparation of periodic investor reporting and calculation of performance metrics; central administration and depositary oversight (*e.g.*, periodic and ongoing due diligence and coordination of investment reconciliation and asset verification); audit support (*e.g.*, audit planning and review of annual financial statements); risk management support services (*e.g.*, calculation and review of investment and leverage exposure); ESG and sustainability support services; regulatory risk reporting, data collection and modeling and risk management matters; and tax support services (*e.g.*, annual tax and VAT returns and FATCA and CRS compliance)), in-house attorneys to provide transactional legal advice, tax planning and other related services (including, without limitation, entity organization, structuring, due diligence, document drafting and negotiation, closing preparation, post-closing activities (such as compliance with contractual terms and providing advice for investment-level matters with respect to fiduciary and other obligations and issues), litigation or regulatory matters, reviewing and structuring exit opportunities) provided by Blackstone personnel and related parties (including, without limitation, Blackstone Europe Fund Management S.à r.l., including all services provided by it to a parallel vehicle of a Client that would be considered costs of fund administration if provided by Blackstone to a Client (notwithstanding the customary scope of such services by third-party service providers)) to a Client and its Portfolio Entities, including the allocation of their compensation (including, without limitation, salary, bonus and benefits) and related overhead otherwise payable by Blackstone, or pay for their services at market rates. In certain circumstances, a Client or its parallel vehicle may engage a third-party administrator (*e.g.*, as required for a Client's parallel vehicle) and in such circumstances there may be some overlap in the services performed by the third-party administrator and Blackstone personnel and a Client and its parallel vehicles will bear all such costs. The services of in-house attorneys generally include, without limitation, services with respect to M&A, capital markets or financing transactions, tax or regulatory structuring, supervision of external counsel and service providers, attending internal and external meetings (including investment committee meetings) and communicating with relevant internal and external parties. Any determination of whether the fees and costs attributable to Blackstone personnel and related parties reflect market rates or arm's length terms will not take into account any additional fees and costs borne by a Client with respect to third parties providing similar services (*e.g.*, an

external administrator). Such allocations or charges can be based on any of the following methodologies: (i) requiring personnel to periodically record or allocate their historical time spent with respect to a Client or Blackstone approximating the proportion of certain personnel's time spent with respect to a Client, and in each case allocating their compensation (including, without limitation, salary, bonus, and benefits), and allocable overhead based on time spent, or charging their time spent at market rates, (ii) the assessment of an overall dollar amount (based on a fixed fee or percentage of assets under management) that Blackstone believes represents a fair recoupment of expenses and a market rate for such services or (iii) any other similar methodology determined by Blackstone to be appropriate under the circumstances. Certain Blackstone personnel will provide services to few, or only one, of the Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles, in which case Blackstone could rely upon rough approximations of time spent by the employee for purposes of allocating the salary and overhead of the Person if the market rate for services is clearly higher than allocable salary and overhead. However, the provision of such services by Blackstone personnel and related parties and any such methodology (including the choice thereof and any benchmarking, verification or other analysis related thereto) involves inherent conflicts. Any amounts paid to Blackstone and/or its Affiliates for such services, as well as the expenses, charges and costs of any benchmarking, verification or other analysis related thereto, will be borne by a Client as partnership expenses, will not result in any offset to the Management Fee and will, in certain circumstances, result in incurrence of greater expenses by a Client and its Portfolio Entities than would be the case if such services were provided by third parties.

The Adviser, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, and their Affiliates, personnel and related parties could continue to receive fees, including performance-based or incentive fees, for the services described in the preceding paragraphs with respect to Investments sold by a Client or its Portfolio Entity to a third-party buyer after the sale is consummated. Such post-disposition involvement will give rise to potential or actual conflicts of interest, particularly in the sale process. Moreover, the Adviser, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, and their Affiliates, personnel and related parties may acquire a stake in the relevant asset as part of the overall service relationship, at the time of the sale or thereafter.

In addition, to the extent Blackstone receives any of the fees described above in kind, instead of in cash, in whole or in part, Blackstone would in certain circumstances be a co-investor (or otherwise hold an interest) in such Investments alongside a Client and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles, which may give rise to potential or actual conflicts of interest, including with respect to the timing and manner of sale by Blackstone, on the one hand, and other participating funds, on the other hand. Blackstone's receipt of such fees in kind generally would not be at the same time or on

substantially the same terms, price and conditions as a Client and/or the Other Blackstone Vehicles, as applicable. With respect to any dispositions of securities or investments held by Blackstone resulting from receiving such fees in kind, since a Client and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles, as applicable, are not similarly situated and may have different terms affecting the timing of their respective dispositions, there may be certain situations where Blackstone would not dispose of its securities or interests at the same time and/or on substantially the same terms, price and conditions as such other funds, which would be evaluated by Blackstone on a case-by-case basis taking into account the circumstances at the relevant time. There can be no assurance that any actual or perceived conflicts will be resolved in favor of a Client or Investors.

Blackstone and its employees have long-term relationships with a significant number of corporations and their senior management. In determining whether to invest in a particular transaction on a Client's behalf, the Adviser will consider those relationships (including any incentives or disincentives as part of such relationship) when evaluating an investment opportunity, and such relationship can be expected to influence the Adviser's decision to make or not make a particular investment on a Client's behalf. Clients may also co-invest with clients of Blackstone in particular investments, and the relationship with such parties could influence the decisions made by the Adviser with respect to such investments. Blackstone is under no obligation to decline any engagements or investments in order to make an investment opportunity available to Clients (e.g., investments in a competitor of a client or other person with whom Blackstone has a relationship). Clients may be required to sell or hold existing Investments as a result of investment banking relationships or other relationships that Blackstone may have or develop, or transactions or investments Blackstone may make or have made.

Securities and Lending Activities. Blackstone, its Affiliates and their related parties and personnel participate in underwriting and lending syndicates and otherwise act as arrangers of financing, including with respect to the public offering and private placement of debt or equity securities issued by, and loan proceeds borrowed by, a Client and its Portfolio Entities or advise on such transactions. Underwritings and financings can be on a firm commitment basis or on an uncommitted, or "best efforts", basis, and the underwriting or financing parties are under no duty to provide any commitment unless specifically set forth in the relevant contract. Blackstone can also be expected to provide, either alone or alongside third parties performing similar services, placement, financial advisory or other similar services to purchasers or sellers of securities (including in connection with primary offerings, secondary transactions and/or transactions involving special purpose acquisition companies), including loans or instruments issued by Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles. Blackstone's compensation for such

services is expected to be paid by the applicable seller (including Clients (for example, in the case of secondary sales by Clients) and Portfolio Entities), one or more underwriters or financing parties (including amounts paid by an issuer and reimbursed by one or more underwriters) and/or other transaction parties. A Blackstone broker-dealer will from time to time act as the managing underwriter, a member of the underwriting syndicate or broker for a Client or its Portfolio Entities, or as dealer, broker or advisor to a counterparty to a Client or a Portfolio Entity, and purchase securities from or sell securities to a Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles or Portfolio Entities of a Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles, or advise on such transactions. Blackstone will also from time to time on behalf of a Client or its Portfolio Entities, or other parties to a transaction involving a Client or its Portfolio Entities, effect transactions, including transactions in the secondary markets, that result in commissions or other compensation paid to Blackstone by a Client or its Portfolio Entities or the counterparty to the transaction, thereby creating a potential conflict of interest. This could include, by way of example, fees and/or commissions for equity syndications to co-investment vehicles. Subject to applicable law, Blackstone will, from time to time, receive underwriting fees, discounts, placement commissions, loan modification or restructuring fees, servicing fees, capital markets fees, advisory fees, lending arrangement fees, asset/property management fees, insurance fees (including title insurance fees), incentive fees, consulting fees, monitoring fees, commitment fees, syndication fees, origination fees, organizational fees, operational fees, loan servicing fees, and financing and divestment fees (or, in each case, rebates in lieu of any such fees, whether in the form of purchase price discounts or otherwise, even in cases where Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicle or their Portfolio Entities are purchasing debt) or other compensation with respect to the foregoing activities, which are not required to be shared with a Client or its Investors, and the Management Fee with respect to an Investor generally will not be reduced by such amounts. The Adviser has sole discretion to approve the foregoing arrangements if the Adviser believes in good faith that such transactions are appropriate for a Client.

Sales of securities for the account of a Client and its Portfolio Entities will, from time to time, be bunched or aggregated with orders for other accounts of Blackstone including Other Blackstone Vehicles. It could be impossible, as determined by the Adviser in its sole discretion, to receive the same price or execution on the entire volume of securities sold, and the various prices will, in certain circumstances, therefore be averaged which may be disadvantageous to a Client.

When Blackstone serves as underwriter with respect to securities of a Client or its Portfolio Entities, the Client and Portfolio Entities could be subject to a “lock-up” period following the offering under applicable regulations during which time a Client or Portfolio Entity would be

unable to sell any securities subject to the “lock-up”. This may prejudice the ability of a Client and its Portfolio Entities to dispose of such securities at an opportune time. (See also “—*Portfolio Entity Relationships Generally*” herein).

Blackstone employees, including employees of the Adviser, are generally permitted to invest in alternative investment funds, real estate funds, hedge funds or other investment vehicles, including potential competitors of Clients. The Investors will not receive any benefit from any such investments.

PJT. On October 1, 2015, Blackstone spun off its financial and strategic advisory services, restructuring and reorganization advisory services, and its Park Hill Group fund placement businesses and combined these businesses with PJT, an independent financial advisory firm founded by Paul J. Taubman. While the combined business operates independently from Blackstone and is not an affiliate thereof, it is expected that there will be substantial overlapping ownership between Blackstone and PJT for a considerable period of time going forward. Therefore, conflicts of interest will arise in connection with transactions between or involving a Client and its Portfolio Entities, on the one hand, and PJT, on the other. The pre-existing relationship between Blackstone and its former personnel involved in financial and strategic advisory services at PJT, the overlapping ownership and co-investment and other continuing arrangements between PJT and Blackstone can be expected to influence the Adviser to select or recommend PJT to perform services for a Client or its Portfolio Entities, the cost of which will generally be borne directly or indirectly by a Client and Investors. Given that PJT is no longer an affiliate of Blackstone, the Adviser and its affiliates are able to cause a Client and Portfolio Entities to transact with PJT generally without restriction under the Organizational Documents of such Client, notwithstanding the relationship between Blackstone and PJT. (See also “—*Service Providers, Vendors and Other Counterparties Generally*” herein.) In addition, one or more investment vehicles controlled by Blackstone have been established to facilitate participation in Blackstone’s side-by-side investment program by employees and/or partners of PJT.

Portfolio Entity Relationships Generally. Blackstone, Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles are and will be counterparties or participants in agreements, transactions and other arrangements with Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, and/or Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles or other Blackstone affiliates and/or any Portfolio Entities of the foregoing for the provision of goods and services, purchase and sale of assets and other matters (including information-sharing and/or consulting). In addition, certain Portfolio Entities may be counterparties or participants in agreements, transactions and other arrangements with Other

Blackstone Vehicles and/or Portfolio Entities or portfolio entities of Other Blackstone Vehicles for the provision of goods and services, purchase and sale of assets and other matters. For example, from time to time, certain Portfolio Entities of Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles will provide or recommend goods and services to Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, or Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles or other Blackstone affiliates (or vice versa). Clients may similarly acquire one or more Portfolio Entities that will originate and sell loans or other assets to Blackstone, Other Blackstone Vehicles and/or portfolio entities of Other Blackstone Vehicles. Such transactions will not require the consent of any Independent Client Representative or Investor. As another example, it can also be expected that the Client or management of one or more Portfolio Entities may consult with one another (or with one or more portfolio entities of an Other Blackstone Vehicle) in respect of seeking its industry expertise, market view, or otherwise on a particular topic including but not limited to assets and/or the purchase and /or sale thereof (and *vice versa*). Moreover, a Client and/or an Other Blackstone Vehicle may consult with a Portfolio Entity or a portfolio entity of an Other Blackstone Vehicle as part of the investment diligence for a potential investment by such Client or such Other Blackstone Vehicle (and *vice versa*). As a result of or as a part of such interactions or otherwise, personnel (including one or more members of the management team) at one Portfolio Entity may transfer to or become employed by another Portfolio Entity (or a portfolio entity of an Other Blackstone Vehicle), a Client, Blackstone or their respective Affiliates (or vice versa). Any such transfer may result in payments by the entity that such personnel is going to, to the entity such personnel is departing from, without obtaining any consent from an Independent Client Representative or the Investors. It is likely that no compensation will be paid, or benefits shared between, the parties to such arrangements, although in certain instances, such agreements, transactions and other arrangements will involve payment of fees and other amounts, none of which will result in any offset to the Management Fees, and are not otherwise shared with Clients unless required by the Organizational Documents notwithstanding that some of the services provided by a Portfolio Entity are similar in nature to the services provided by the Adviser. Such agreements, transactions and other arrangements will generally be entered into without the consent the Investors (including, without limitation, in the case of minority investments by a Client in such Portfolio Entities or the sale of assets from one Portfolio Entity to another). This is because, among other considerations, Portfolio Entities of Clients and Portfolio Entities of Other Blackstone Vehicles are not considered affiliates of Blackstone, Clients or the Adviser under the Organizational Documents. There can be no assurance that the terms of any such agreement, transaction or other arrangement will be as favorable to a Client as otherwise would be the case if the counterparty were not related to Blackstone.

Portfolio Entity Service Providers and Vendors. A Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles and the Portfolio Entities of each of the foregoing and Blackstone can be expected to engage Portfolio Entities of a Client and Other Blackstone Vehicles to provide some or all of the following services: (a) corporate support services (including, without limitation, accounts payable, accounting/audit (including valuation support services), account management (*e.g.*, treasury, customer due diligence), insurance, procurement, placement, brokerage, consulting, cash management, corporate secretarial and executive assistant services, domiciliation, data management (*e.g.*, gathering, processing, aggregating, reconciling, and delivering relevant industry and asset class specific data), directorship services, entity dissolution process oversight, finance/budgeting and forecasting, fundraising support, human resources and recruiting (*e.g.*, the onboarding and ongoing development of personnel), communications and public affairs, information and data security support, information technology and software systems support (*e.g.*, implementation of property technology strategy), corporate governance and entity management (*e.g.*, liquidation, dissolution and/or otherwise end of term services), risk management and internal compliance/know-your-client reviews and refreshes, investment incentive payment documentation and recordkeeping, judicial processes, legal, environmental and/or sustainability due diligence support (*e.g.*, review of property condition reports and clean energy consumption), climate accounting services, ESG program management services, engineering services, services related to the sourcing, development and implementation of renewable energy, ESG data collection and reporting services, capital planning services, operational coordination (*i.e.*, coordination with Joint Venture Partners and property managers), risk management, reporting (*e.g.*, on tax, debt, portfolio or other similar topics), tax analysis and compliance (*e.g.*, CIT and VAT compliance), transfer pricing and internal risk control, treasury and valuation services, business intelligence and data science services, fundraising support, legal/ business/ finance optimization and innovation (including legal invoice automation), and vendor selection (*e.g.*, training, due diligence and management support; (b) borrowing management services (including, without limitation, monitoring, restructuring and work-out of performing, sub-performing and nonperforming loans, consolidation, cash management, financing management, administrative support, and lender relationship management (*e.g.*, coordinating with lender on any ongoing obligations under any relevant borrowing, indebtedness or other credit support (including, any required consultation with or reporting to such lender), and whole loan servicing oversight (*e.g.*, collateral management, due diligence and servicing oversight)); (c) loan management services (*e.g.*, administrative services, lender financial reporting, cash management and monitoring), restructuring and work-out of performing, sub-performing and non-performing loans and whole loan mortgage servicing right support services, and (d) transaction support services (including, without limitation, acquisition support, customer

due diligence and related on-boarding, liquidation, reporting, relationship management with brokers, banks and other potential sources of Investments, identifying potential Investments including development sites and providing diligence and negotiation support during acquisition, coordinating with Investors, assembling relevant information, conducting financial and market analyses and modelling, coordinating closing/post-closing procedures for acquisitions, dispositions and other transactions, coordinating design and development works (such as recommending and implementing design decisions), assistance with due diligence, identifying potential investments, managing relationships with brokers and other potential sources of investments, marketing and distribution, overseeing brokers, lawyers, accountants and other advisors, working with consultants and third parties to pursue entitlements, providing in-house and accounting services, assisting with due diligence, preparation of project feasibility analysis, site visits, transaction consulting and specification of technical analysis and review of (i) design and structural work, (ii) architectural, façade and external finishes, (iii) certifications, (iv) operations and maintenance manuals and (v) statutory documents). Similarly, Blackstone, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Clients and their Portfolio Entities can be expected to engage Portfolio Entities of a Client to provide some or all of these services. Certain Portfolio Entities of the Client or an Other Blackstone Vehicle are also expected to provide services to third parties (including for example, post-disposition of an investment). Some of the services performed by Portfolio Entity service providers could also be performed by the Adviser from time to time and *vice versa*. Fees paid by a Client or its Portfolio Entities, or value created by other Portfolio Entity service providers or vendors (whether to the Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Blackstone or any third parties engaging the services of such Portfolio Entity) do not offset or reduce the Management Fee payable by the Investors of a Client and are not otherwise shared with a Client.

A Client and its Portfolio Entities will compensate one or more of these service providers and vendors owned by Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles, and the Client and its Portfolio Entities will be charged for services provided by such service providers and vendors based on a contractually determined rate or cost that is generally consistent with those available in the market for similar goods and services, which rate or cost may be the same or different compared to rates or costs such service provider or vendor charges third parties that engage the service provider's or vendor's services. As a general matter, some Portfolio Entities are not expected to generate profit for a Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles by whom they are owned. Accordingly, Investors of a Client should have no expectation that Portfolio Entities owned in whole or in part by a Client will generate any positive returns and such Portfolio Entities could instead result in a loss to a Client. The discussion regarding the determination of market rates under “—***Blackstone Affiliate Service***

Providers” herein applies equally in respect of the fees and expenses of the Portfolio Entity service providers, if charged at rates generally consistent with those available in the market. Costs and expenses for services provided by service providers and vendors owned or controlled by a Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles are passed through as expenses on a cost reimbursement, no-profit, revenue, purchase and sale price, capital spend, or break-even basis (even if third party customers or clients are charged on a different basis), which break-even point may occur over a period of time, including in certain circumstances over an extended period of time following engagement by a Client or such Other Blackstone Vehicle such that such service provider or vendor may realize a profit in a given year which would be expected to be applied towards the costs in subsequent periods. In certain circumstances, a Client will bear the start-up, wind-down and liquidation costs and expenses associated with work performed for the benefit of a Client and its Portfolio Entities, along with any related tax costs and an allocation of the service provider’s overhead related to Portfolio Entity service providers owned by a Client or be allocated all or a portion of such costs and expenses related to Portfolio Entity service providers used by a Client and owned by Other Blackstone Vehicles. Costs and expenses associated with goods and services provided by the service providers and vendors owned by Other Blackstone Vehicles (including for the avoidance of doubt, all overhead associated with such service providers and vendors owned by Other Blackstone Vehicles) are allocated to the Client and/or Portfolio Entities. Such costs and expenses will not reduce Management Fees payable by the Investors and are expected to include any of the following: salaries, wages, benefits and travel expenses; marketing and advertising fees and expenses; legal, compliance, accounting and other professional fees and disbursements; office space, furniture and fixtures, and equipment; insurance premiums; technology expenditures (including hardware and software costs, and servicing costs and upgrades related thereto); costs to engage recruitment firms to hire employees; diligence expenses; one-time costs, including costs related to building-out, expanding and winding-down a Portfolio Entity; costs that are of a limited duration or non-recurring (such as start-up or technology build-up costs, one-time technology and systems implementation costs, employee on-boarding, ongoing training and severance payments, and IPO-readiness and other infrastructure costs); related tax costs and/or liabilities determined by Blackstone based on applicable marginal tax rates; and other operating, establishment, expansion and capital expenditures (including financing and interest thereon). Any of the foregoing costs, although allocated in a particular period, will, in certain circumstances, relate to activities occurring outside the period (including in prior periods, such as where any such costs are amortized over an extended period), and further will, in certain circumstances, be of a general and administrative nature that is not specifically related to particular services, and therefore a Client could, to the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, pay more than its *pro rata* portion of fees

for services. Similarly, certain Portfolio Entities can be expected to incur costs and expenses in connection with broken deals or transactions that are not consummated. In such circumstances, there will be Portfolio Entities that allocate such broken deal expenses to successful or signed transactions of a Client or an Other Blackstone Vehicle. As a result, Portfolio Entities will at times incur significant costs or expenses without recouping such expenses and there can be no assurances that any such broken deal expenses will in fact be recouped. In addition, the Adviser generally relies on the management team of a Portfolio Entity with respect to the determination of costs and expenses and allocation thereof and does not oversee or participate in such determinations or allocations. Moreover, to the extent a Portfolio Entity uses an allocated cost model with respect to fees, costs and expenses, such fees, costs and expenses are typically estimated and/or accrued quarterly (or on another regular periodic basis) but not finalized until year-end and as a result, such year-end true-up is subject to fluctuation and increases such that for a given year, the year-end cumulative amount with respect to fees, costs and expenses may be greater than the sum of the quarterly estimates (or other periodic estimates where applicable) and/or accruals and therefore Clients could bear more fees, costs and expenses at year-end than had been anticipated throughout the year. The allocation of costs and expenses (including for the avoidance of doubt all overhead) among the entities and assets to which services are provided can be expected to be based on any of a number of different methodologies, including, without limitation, on the basis of “cost” as described above, “time-allocation”, “per unit”, “revenue,” “spend”, “number of units”, “per square footage”, “fixed percentage”, gross asset value, or purchase or sale price, and the particular methodology used to allocate such costs among the entities and assets to which services are provided is expected to vary depending on the types of services provided and the applicable asset class involved and could, in certain circumstances, change from one period to another. There can be no assurance that a different manner of allocation would result in a Client and its Portfolio Entities bearing less or more or the same amount of costs and expenses. In addition, a Portfolio Entity that passes through costs and expenses on a cost reimbursement, no-profit, or break-even basis methodology may, in certain circumstances, change its allocation methodology (including with respect to one and not all of its customers or clients, including the Client and its Portfolio Entities), for example, to another methodology for the allocation of costs and expenses (including for the avoidance of doubt all overhead) described herein or otherwise, to charging a flat fee for a particular service or instance (or *vice versa*), or a contractually determined rate or cost that is generally consistent with those available in the market for similar goods and services described herein or otherwise, and such changes may increase or reduce the amounts received by such Portfolio Entities for the same services, and Investors will not necessarily be entitled to receive notice or disclosure of such changes in allocation methodology. In certain circumstances,

particularly where such service providers and vendors are located in Europe or Asia, such service providers and vendors will charge a Client and its Portfolio Entities for goods and services at cost plus a percentage of cost for transfer pricing or other tax, legal, regulatory, accounting or other reasons or even decide to amortize any costs or expenses to address accounting or operational considerations.

Further, a Client and its Portfolio Entities will compensate one or more of these service providers and vendors owned by Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles through incentive-based compensation payable to their management teams and other related parties. The incentive-based compensation paid with respect to a Portfolio Entity or asset of Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles will vary from the incentive-based compensation paid with respect to other Portfolio Entities and assets of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles and is expected to vary from those charged to third party customers or clients of such service provider or vendor; as a result the management team or other related parties can be expected to have greater incentives with respect to certain assets and Portfolio Entities or third parties relative to others, and the performance of certain assets and Portfolio Entities or third parties may provide incentives to retain management that also service other assets and Portfolio Entities. Blackstone is not required to perform or obtain benchmarking analysis or third-party verification of expenses with respect to services provided on a cost reimbursement, no profit, revenue, purchase and sale price, capital spend, or break-even basis, or in respect of incentive-based compensation. There can be no assurance that amounts charged by Portfolio Entity service providers that are not controlled by the Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles will be consistent with market rates or that any benchmarking, verification or other analysis will be performed with respect to such charges. In addition, while it is expected that the Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles will engage in long-term or recurring contracts with Portfolio Entity service providers, it can be expected that the Adviser will not seek to benchmark or otherwise renegotiate the original fee arrangement for a significant period of time. In addition, neither the Adviser nor Blackstone is required to perform or obtain benchmarking analysis of expenses with respect to non-recurring contracts with Portfolio Entity service providers. With respect to any benchmarking performed, the related benchmarking expenses will be borne by Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities and will not offset the Management Fee.

In certain circumstances, Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles will enter into fee arrangements with Portfolio Entity service providers (including instances where the fee is a cost-plus fee, *i.e.*, is structured as the cost of services plus a fixed percentage). Where Portfolio Entity service providers have entered into such fee arrangements, there may be situations where the Portfolio Entity service

provider's tax liabilities that are associated with the income received from a Client and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles could be passed along to the Client such that the Client would ultimately be responsible for bearing such expenses. Accordingly, the Adviser may have an incentive to structure its fee arrangements with Portfolio Entity service providers in such a manner where a Client or an Other Blackstone Vehicle may bear all or a portion of such Portfolio Entity service providers tax liabilities. As further noted above, no fees charged by these service providers and vendors in the fee arrangement discussed in this paragraph will offset or reduce Management Fees, unless otherwise required by the Organizational Documents.

A Portfolio Entity service provider will, in certain circumstances, subcontract certain of its responsibilities to other Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles. In such circumstances, the relevant subcontractor could invoice the Portfolio Entity for fees (or in the case of a cost reimbursement arrangement, for allocable costs and expenses) in respect of the services provided by the subcontractor. The Portfolio Entity, if charging on a cost reimbursement, no-profit, revenue, purchase and sale price, capital spend, or break-even basis, would in turn allocate those costs and expenses as it allocates other fees and expenses as described above. Similarly, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities and Blackstone can be expected to engage Portfolio Entities of a Client to provide services, and these Portfolio Entities will generally charge for services in the same manner described above, but a Client and its Portfolio Entities generally will not be reimbursed for any costs (such as start-up costs or technology build-up costs) relating to such Portfolio Entities incurred prior to such engagement.

Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities are expected to enter into joint ventures with third parties to which the service providers and vendors described above will provide services. In some of these cases, the joint venture partner may negotiate to not pay their *pro rata* share of fees, costs and expenses to be allocated as described above, in which case Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities that also use the services of the Portfolio Entity service provider will, directly or indirectly, pay the difference, or the Portfolio Entity service provider will bear a loss equal to the difference.

Moreover, in certain circumstances, the Joint Venture Partner may be allocated fees, costs and expenses pursuant to a different methodology than a Portfolio Entity's standard allocation methodology, which could result in a Client or its Portfolio Entities being allocated more fees, costs and expenses than they would otherwise be allocated solely pursuant to such standard allocation methodology.

In addition, in the event of the disposition of an Investment or a Portfolio Entity (whether by way of transfer to the Client, an Other Blackstone Vehicle, a Portfolio Entity of the foregoing or Blackstone, as described below, or by way of a sale to a third party), such Portfolio Entity may continue to provide some or all of the services described herein to the Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities of the foregoing, Joint Venture Partners or Blackstone, as applicable, even for a substantial period of time following such disposition. As such, Blackstone or a Portfolio Entity of the Client may begin to earn fees or continue to earn fees from such investment for providing services to such investment, which will not offset or reduce the Management Fee or be shared with the Investors in any way, and such fees may be the same or different compared to those charged to the Client or a Portfolio Entity of the Client for the same or similar services as described above.

Furthermore, from time to time, certain investments may become economically unviable to the point that from a reporting perspective Blackstone determines in its sole discretion that it is appropriate to consider such investment as being held for a period of time for the benefit of creditors of such investment. In particular, to the extent: (i) the net asset value of any Investment, or any asset(s) or portion thereof is zero (\$0), (ii) the indebtedness on such asset is non-recourse to the Client, and (iii) any one of the following conditions is satisfied: (a) such indebtedness is in default, (b) a deed-in-lieu agreement is signed in connection with such asset, (c) such asset is transferred to special servicing, (d) Blackstone has notified the lender that it will not continue to service the associated indebtedness, or (e) other similar action has been taken by the Client or the lender with supporting documentation, then such asset will be deemed an Impacted Asset. Impacted Assets are expected to continue receiving services by Portfolio Entities of the Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles. In such instances, the creditors or their representatives of such Impacted Asset may negotiate to not pay its *pro rata* share of fees, costs and expenses or to be allocated fees, costs and expenses pursuant to a different methodology than a Portfolio Entity's standard allocation methodology as described above, in either case the Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities that also use the services of the Portfolio Entity service provider will, directly or indirectly, pay the difference, or the Portfolio Entity service provider will bear a loss equal to the difference. Conversely, Blackstone may negotiate higher rates and a Portfolio Entity of the Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles may begin to earn fees or continue to earn fees from such Impacted Asset for providing services to such investment, which will not offset or reduce the Management Fee or be shared with the Investors in any way. Because of this, Blackstone may be incentivized to delay or accelerate declaring an investment as an "Impacted Asset".

Portfolio Entity service providers described in this section are generally owned and controlled by a Blackstone fund, such as Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles. In certain instances a similar company could be owned and controlled by Blackstone directly. Blackstone could cause a transfer of ownership of one of these service providers (or the employees, leases, contracts or office assets of one service provider to another service provider) from a Client to an Other Blackstone Vehicle, or from an Other Blackstone Vehicle to a Client. The transfer of a Portfolio Entity service provider (or the employees, leases, contracts a business unit or office assets of such service provider) between a Client and an Other Blackstone Vehicle (where a Client may be, directly or indirectly, a seller or a buyer in any such transfer) will generally be consummated for minimal or no consideration, and without obtaining any consent from the Investor Representative of a Client, if any, the Investors, or otherwise, as applicable. The Adviser may, but is not required to, obtain a third-party valuation confirming the same, and if it does, the Adviser can be expected to rely on such valuation. Portfolio Entities of a Client and Other Blackstone Vehicles are not considered “Affiliates” of Blackstone, the Adviser or a Client under the Organizational Documents and therefore are not covered by affiliate transaction restrictions included in the Organizational Documents.

Service Providers, Vendors and Other Counterparties Generally. Certain third-party advisors and other service providers and vendors to a Client and its Portfolio Entities (including accountants, administrators, lenders, bankers, brokers, attorneys, Consultants, title agents, property managers and investment or commercial banking firms) are owned by Blackstone, Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles or provide goods or services to, or have other business, personal, financial or other relationships with, Blackstone, the Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, and Affiliates and personnel of the foregoing. Also, advisors, lenders, Investors, commercial counterparties, vendors and service providers (including any of their Affiliates or personnel) to a Client and its Portfolio Entities could have other commercial or personal relationships with Blackstone, Other Blackstone Vehicles (including co-investment vehicles, where applicable) and their respective Portfolio Entities, or any Affiliates, personnel or family members of personnel of the foregoing. Although Blackstone selects service providers and vendors it believes are most appropriate in the circumstances based on its knowledge of such service providers and vendors (which knowledge is generally greater in the case of service providers and vendors that have other relationships to Blackstone), the relationship of service providers and vendors to Blackstone as described above will, in certain circumstances, influence Blackstone in deciding whether to select, recommend or form such an advisor or service provider to perform services for a Client or a Portfolio Entity, the cost of which will generally be borne directly or indirectly by a Client, and

can be expected to incentivize Blackstone to engage such service provider over a third party, utilize the services of such service providers and vendors more frequently than would be the case absent the conflict, or to pay such service providers and vendors higher fees or commissions than would be the case absent the conflict. The incentive could be created by current income and/or the generation of enterprise value in a service provider or vendor; Blackstone can be expected to also have an incentive to invest in or create service providers and vendors to realize on these opportunities. Furthermore, Blackstone will, from time to time, encourage third-party service providers to a Client and its Portfolio Entities to use other Blackstone-affiliated service providers and vendors in connection with the business of a Client, Portfolio Entities, and unaffiliated entities, and Blackstone has an incentive to use third-party services providers who do so as a result of the indirect benefit to Blackstone and additional business for the related service providers and vendors. Fees paid to or value created in these service providers and vendors do not offset or reduce the Management Fee payable by the Investors of a Client and are not otherwise shared with a Client unless required by applicable Organizational Documents. In the case of brokers, Blackstone has a best execution policy that it updates from time to time to comply with regulatory requirements in applicable jurisdictions.

Blackstone has a practice of not entering into any arrangements with advisors, vendors or service providers that provide lower rates or discounts to Blackstone itself compared to those it enters into on behalf of a Client and its Portfolio Entities for the same services. However, legal fees for unconsummated transactions are often charged at a discounted rate, such that if a Client and its Portfolio Entities consummate a higher percentage of transactions with a particular law firm than Blackstone, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, the Investors could indirectly pay a higher net effective rate for the services of that law firm than Blackstone, other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles or their Portfolio Entities. Also, advisors, vendors and service providers often charge different rates or have different arrangements for different types of services. For example, advisors, vendors and service providers often charge fees based on the complexity of the matter as well as the expertise and time required to handle it. Therefore, to the extent the types of services used by a Client and its Portfolio Entities are different from those used by Blackstone, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, and their Affiliates and personnel, a Client and its Portfolio Entities can be expected to pay different amounts or rates than those paid by such other persons. Similarly, Blackstone, Clients, the Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities and Affiliates can be expected to enter into agreements or other arrangements with vendors and other similar counterparties (whether such counterparties are affiliated or unaffiliated with Blackstone), from time to time, whereby such counterparty will, in certain circumstances, charge

lower rates (or no fees) or provide discounts or rebates for such counterparty's products or services depending on the volume of transactions in the aggregate or other factors. See also "**—Group Procurement; Discounts**" and "**—Multiple Blackstone Business Lines**" herein.

Outsourcing. The Adviser is expected to outsource to third parties several of the services performed for the Clients and/or their Portfolio Entities, including services (such as administrative, legal, accounting, tax, investment diligence (including sourcing), modeling and ongoing monitoring, preparing internal templates, memos, and similar materials or other related services in connection with the Adviser's analysis of investment opportunities, or other related services) that can be and/or historically have been performed in-house by the Adviser and its personnel. For example, third parties may assist the Adviser in preparing internal templates, memos, and similar materials in connection with the Adviser's analysis of investment opportunities. The fees, costs and expenses of such third-party service providers will, when consistent with the Organizational Documents, be borne by the Clients as partnership expenses, even if the Adviser would have borne such amounts if such services had been performed in-house (which, for the avoidance of doubt, would be in addition to any fees borne by the Clients as partnership expenses for similar services performed by the Adviser in-house in lieu of or alongside (and/or to supplement or monitor) such third parties, subject to the terms of the Organizational Documents). Outsourced services include certain services (such as fund administration, transactional legal advice, tax planning and other related services) that will, subject to the terms of the Organizational Documents, also be provided by the Adviser in-house at the Clients' expense. From time to time, the Adviser will provide such services alongside (and/or supplement or monitor) a third-party service provider on the same matter or engagement and, in such cases, to the extent the Adviser's services are reimbursable under the Clients' Organizational Documents, the overall amount of partnership expenses borne directly or indirectly by the limited partners will be greater than would be the case if only the Adviser or such third-party provided such services.

The decision to engage a third-party service provider and the terms (including economic terms) of such engagement will be made by the Adviser in its discretion, taking into account such factors as it deems relevant under the circumstances. In certain instances, outsourcing (including with respect to sourcing investments) can allow the Client to pursue transactions and activities that would otherwise not be feasible (because, for example, such transactions are too small in size). Certain third-party service providers and/or their employees (and/or teams thereof) will dedicate substantially all of their business time to one or more Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, and/or their respective Portfolio Entities, while others will have other clients. In certain cases, third-party service providers and/or their employees (including part- or full-time secondees to Blackstone)

will spend some or all of their time at Blackstone offices, have dedicated office space at Blackstone, have Blackstone-related e-mail addresses, receive administrative support from Blackstone personnel or participate in meetings and events for Blackstone personnel, even though they are not Blackstone employees or affiliates. This creates a conflict of interest because the Adviser will have an incentive to outsource services to third parties due to a number of factors, including because the fees, costs and expenses of such service providers will be borne by the Clients as partnership expenses (with no reduction or offset to management fees) and retaining third parties will reduce the Adviser's internal overhead, compensation, benefits and costs for employees who would otherwise perform such services in-house. Such incentives likely exist even with respect to services where internal overhead, compensation, and benefits are chargeable to the Clients.

In general, the involvement of third-party service providers presents a number of risks due to the Adviser's reduced control over the functions that are outsourced. In some cases, third-party service providers are permitted to delegate all or a portion of their responsibilities relating to the Clients and/or their Portfolio Entities to other third parties (including to their affiliates). Any such delegation could further reduce the Adviser's control over the outsourced functions, and the Adviser would lack direct oversight over the party to whom the responsibilities are delegated.

A third-party service provider could face conflicts of interest in carrying out its responsibilities relating to the Adviser, the Clients and/or their Portfolio Entities, including (without limitation) in relation to the delegation of such responsibilities to other parties and the allocation of time, attention and resources to the Adviser, the Clients and/or their Portfolio Entities, as compared to the service provider's other clients. Third-party service providers could have incentives to carry out their responsibilities in a manner that does not advance the interests of the Clients and/or their Portfolio Entities and often have no fiduciary obligation to act in the best interest of the Adviser, the Clients and/or their Portfolio Entities. The Adviser has limited visibility into what conflicts of interest a third-party service provider might face and the extent to which any such conflicts impact the service provider's decision-making.

There can be no assurances that the Adviser will be able to identify, prevent or mitigate the risks of engaging third-party service providers (including the risk that such third-party service provider or its delegates will not perform the outsourced function with the same degree of skill, competence and efficiency as the Adviser would in the absence of an outsourcing arrangement). The Clients could suffer adverse consequences from actions, errors or failures to act by such third

parties or their delegates, and will have obligations, including indemnity obligations, and limited recourse against them.

Outsourcing and the use of internal service providers will not occur uniformly for all Blackstone managed vehicles and accounts and the expenses that may be borne by such vehicles and accounts vary. Accordingly, certain costs could be incurred by (or allocated to) a Client through the use of third-party (or internal) service providers that are not incurred by (or allocated to) other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles for similar services.

The Adviser could similarly determine to outsource certain services to Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities of the Clients and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles, Investors, investors in Other Blackstone Vehicles and affiliates of Blackstone, or to any of their respective related parties. The risks and conflicts described above would similarly apply in such circumstances, and such circumstances would raise additional conflicts. See also “*Blackstone Affiliate Service Providers*” and “*Portfolio Entity Service Providers and Vendors*” herein.

Data Services. Blackstone or an affiliate of Blackstone formed in the future will provide data services to Data Holders. Such services can be expected to include assistance with obtaining, analyzing, curating, processing, packaging, distributing, organizing, mapping, holding, transforming, enhancing, marketing and selling such data (among other related data management and consulting services) for monetization through licensing or sale arrangements with third parties and, subject to the limitations in the Organizational Documents of a Client and any other applicable contractual limitations, with the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Portfolio Entities, Investors in the Clients and in Other Blackstone Vehicles, and other Blackstone affiliates and associated entities (including funds in which Blackstone and Other Blackstone Vehicles make investments, and Portfolio Entities thereof). Where Blackstone believes appropriate, data from one Data Holder will be aggregated or pooled with data from other Data Holders. Any revenues arising from such aggregated or pooled data sets would be allocated between applicable Data Holders on a fair and reasonable basis as determined by the Adviser in its sole discretion, with the Adviser able to make corrective allocations should it determine subsequently that such corrections were necessary or advisable. If Blackstone in the future enters into data services arrangements with Portfolio Entities and such Portfolio Entities pay Blackstone compensation for such data services, Clients will indirectly bear their share of the cost of such compensation based on their ownership of such Portfolio Entities. To the extent Blackstone receives compensation for such data management services, such compensation could include a percentage of the revenues generated through any licensing or sale arrangements with respect to the relevant data, as well as fees, royalties and cost

and expense reimbursement (including start-up costs and allocable overhead associated with personnel working on relevant matters (including salaries, benefits and other similar expenses)). Such compensation will not offset or reduce management fees or any other fees or expenses borne by the Clients or otherwise be shared with the Clients or their investors. Additionally, Blackstone is also expected to share and distribute the products from such data services within Blackstone or its affiliates (including Other Blackstone Vehicles or their Portfolio Entities) at no charge and, in such cases, the Data Holders will not receive any financial or other benefit from having provided such data to Blackstone. The potential receipt of such compensation by Blackstone creates incentives for Blackstone to cause the Clients to invest in Portfolio Entities with a significant amount of data that it might not otherwise have invested in or on terms less favorable than it otherwise would have sought to obtain on behalf of such Funds. See also “—*Data*” herein.

Blackstone Affiliate Service Providers. In addition to the service providers (including Portfolio Entity service providers) and vendors described above, a Client and its Portfolio Entities are expected to engage in transactions with one or more businesses that are owned or controlled by Blackstone directly, not through one of its funds, including the businesses described below. These businesses will, in certain circumstances, also enter into transactions with other counterparties of a Client and its Portfolio Entities, as well as service providers, vendors and Investors of a Client. Blackstone could benefit from these transactions and activities through current income and creation of enterprise value in these businesses. No fees charged by these service providers and vendors will offset or reduce Management Fees, unless otherwise required by applicable Organizational Documents. Furthermore, Blackstone, other Clients, the Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities and their Affiliates and related parties will use the services of these Blackstone Affiliates, including at different rates. Although Blackstone believes the services provided by its Affiliates are equal or better than those of third parties, Blackstone directly benefits from the engagement of these Affiliates, and there is therefore an inherent conflict of interest.

A Client could acquire from or sell to Blackstone a service provider as an Investment or participate alongside Blackstone in the acquisition of a service provider. Blackstone is expected to establish a valuation methodology in relation to any such sale or acquisition by a Client of a service provider. In addition, before entering into any transaction with respect to any such service provider, it is anticipated that Blackstone will obtain any consents that may be required under the Advisers Act or other applicable laws or regulations.

Certain Blackstone-affiliated service providers and their respective personnel will receive a management promote, an incentive fee and other performance-based compensation in respect of

Investments, which fees and compensation are expected to be substantial in some cases. Furthermore, Blackstone-affiliated service providers can be expected to charge costs and expenses based on allocable overhead associated with personnel working on relevant matters (including salaries, benefits and other similar expenses), *provided* that these amounts will not exceed market rates as determined by the CTIMCO Managers to be appropriate under the circumstances.

The CTIMCO Managers will generally, except in those instances where a market comparable cannot be determined, make determinations of certain market rates (*i.e.*, rates that fall within a range that CTIMCO Managers have determined is reflective of rates in the applicable market and certain similar markets, though not necessarily equal to or lower than the median rate of comparable firms), and, in certain circumstances, is expected to be in the top of the range, based on its consideration of a number of factors, which are generally expected to include CTIMCO Managers' experience with non-affiliated service providers as well as benchmarking data and other methodologies determined by CTIMCO Managers to be appropriate under the circumstances. In respect of benchmarking, while Blackstone often obtains benchmarking data regarding the rates charged or quoted by third parties for services similar to those provided by Blackstone Affiliates in the applicable market or certain similar markets, relevant comparisons may not be available for a number of reasons, including, without limitation, as a result of a lack of a substantial market of providers or users of such services or the confidential or bespoke nature of such services (*e.g.*, within property management services, different assets may receive different property management services). In addition, benchmarking data is based on general market and broad industry overviews, rather than determined on an asset-by-asset basis. As a result, benchmarking data does not take into account specific characteristics of individual assets then owned or to be acquired by a Client (such as location or size), or the particular characteristics of services provided. Further, it could be difficult to identify comparable third-party service providers that provide services of a similar scope and scale as the Blackstone-affiliated service providers that are the subject of the benchmarking analysis. For these reasons, such market comparisons may not result in precise market terms for comparable services. To the extent the Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles engage in a long term or recurring contract with a Blackstone affiliated service provider, CTIMCO Managers may not seek to benchmark or otherwise renegotiate the original fee arrangement for a significant period of time. Expenses to obtain benchmarking data will be borne by Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities and will not offset the Management Fee. Finally, in certain circumstances the Adviser can be expected to determine that third-party benchmarking is unnecessary, including in circumstances where the price for a particular good or service is mandated by law (*e.g.*, title insurance in rate regulated states) or because Blackstone has

access to adequate market data (including from third-party clients of the Blackstone-affiliated service provider that is the subject of the benchmarking analysis) to make the determination without reference to third-party benchmarking. For example, in certain circumstances a Blackstone-affiliated service provider or a portfolio entity service provider could provide services to third parties, in which case if the rates charged to such third parties are consistent with the rates charged to a Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities, then a separate benchmarking analysis of such rates is not expected to be prepared. Some of the services performed by Blackstone-affiliated service providers could also be performed by CTIMCO Managers from time to time and *vice versa*. Fees paid by a Client or its Portfolio Entities to Blackstone-affiliated service providers do not offset or reduce the Management Fee payable by the Investors of a Client and are not otherwise shared by a Client, unless otherwise required by the Organizational Documents. These conflicts related to Blackstone-affiliated service providers will not necessarily be resolved in favor of a Client, and Investors may not be entitled to receive notice or disclosure of the occurrence of these conflicts.

Transactions with Clients of Blackstone Insurance Solutions. Blackstone has formed BIS. Actual or potential conflicts of interest will likely arise in relation to the BIS Clients. BIS Clients have invested and are expected to continue investing in Other Blackstone Vehicles. Certain BIS Clients have investment objectives that overlap with those of a Client (and the Adviser has entered into sub-management agreements with BIS to manage (for a fee, which such fees may be shared with BIS) the assets of certain such BIS Clients with respect to real estate-related debt investments) or its Portfolio Entities (and for regulatory reasons certain BIS Clients are required to own whole loans when making debt investments), and such BIS Clients may invest alongside (or in lieu of) a Client or such Portfolio Entities in certain investments, which will reduce the investment opportunities otherwise available to such Client or such Portfolio Entities. BIS Clients will also participate in transactions related to a Client and/or its Portfolio Entities (*e.g.*, as originators, co-originators, counterparties or otherwise). Other transactions in which BIS Clients will participate include, without limitation, investments in debt or other securities issued by Portfolio Entities or other forms of financing to Portfolio Entities (See also “—***Conflicting Fiduciary Duties to Other Real Estate-Related Funds and Vehicles***” and “—***Investments in Which Other Blackstone Vehicles have a Different Principal Investment Generally***” herein.) When investing alongside a Client or its Portfolio Entities or in other transactions related to a Client or its Portfolio Entities, BIS Clients may not invest or divest at the same time or on the same terms as such Client or the applicable Portfolio Entities. BIS Clients will also, from time to time, acquire investments and Portfolio Entities directly or indirectly from a Client. In circumstances where the Adviser

determines in good faith that the conflict of interest is mitigated in whole or in part through various measures that Blackstone or the Adviser implements, the Adviser is not required and does not intend to seek approval of the Investors. In order to seek to mitigate any potential conflicts of interest with respect to such transactions (or other transactions involving BIS Clients), Blackstone may, in its discretion, involve independent members of the board of a Portfolio Entity or a third-party stakeholder in the transaction to negotiate price and terms on behalf of the BIS Clients or otherwise cause the BIS Clients to “follow the vote” thereof, and/or cause an independent investor representative or other third party to approve the investment or otherwise represent the interests of one or more of the parties to the transaction. In addition, Blackstone or the Adviser may limit the percentage interest of the BIS Clients participating in such transaction, or obtain appropriate price quotes or other benchmarks, or, alternatively, a third-party price opinion or other document to support the reasonableness of the price and terms of the transaction. BIS will also, from time to time, require the applicable BIS Clients participating in a transaction to consent thereto (including in circumstances where the Adviser does not seek the consent of the Investors). There can be no assurance that any such measures or other measures that may be implemented by Blackstone will be effective at mitigating any actual or potential conflicts of interest. Moreover, under certain circumstances (*e.g.*, where a BIS Client participates in a transaction directly (and not through a vehicle controlled by Blackstone) and independently consents to participating in a transaction), a BIS Client (or any Other Blackstone Vehicle participating via a similar arrangement) will not be an “Affiliate” under the Organizational Documents of a Client in which case any limitations or obligations pursuant to such Organizational Documents with respect to transactions with Affiliates will not apply.

Transactions with Portfolio Entities. Blackstone and Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles operate in multiple industries, including the real estate related information technology industry, and provide products and services to or otherwise contract with a Client and its Portfolio Entities, among others. In connection with any such operations, Blackstone, Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities and personnel and related parties of the foregoing can be expected to make referrals or introductions to a Client and its Portfolio Entities in an effort, in part, to increase the customer base of such companies or businesses or because such referrals or introductions will, in certain circumstances, result in financial benefits, such as cash payments, additional equity ownership, or participation in revenue share and/or Investments, accruing to the party making the introduction. Furthermore, such introductions or referrals may involve the transfer of certain personnel or employees among Blackstone and Portfolio Entities of a Client and Other Blackstone Vehicles which may result in a

termination fee or similar payments being due and payable from one such entity to another. In the alternative, Blackstone may form a joint venture (or other business relationship) with such a Portfolio Entity to implement such arrangements, pursuant to which the joint venture or business provides services (including, without limitation, corporate support services, loan management services, management services, operational services, ongoing account services (*e.g.*, interacting and coordinating with banks generally and with regard to any related “know your client” requirements), risk management services, data management services, consulting services, brokerage services, sustainability and clean energy consulting services, insurance procurement, placement, brokerage and consulting services, and other services) to such Portfolio Entities that are referred to the joint venture or business by Blackstone. Such referrals can be expected to be made by Blackstone in an effort, in part, to increase the customer base of such companies or businesses (and therefore the value of the investment held by the Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles) or because such referrals or introductions will, in certain circumstances, result in financial benefits, such as cash payments, additional equity ownership, or participation in revenue share and/or milestones benefitting the referring or introducing party that are tied or related to participation by the Portfolio Entities of the Clients and/or of Other Blackstone Vehicles, accruing to the party making the introduction (*e.g.*, personnel of Blackstone, including Adviser investment professionals). Such joint venture or business could use data obtained from such Portfolio Entities (See also “—*Data*” and “—*Data Services*” herein.) A Client and the Investors typically will not share in any fees, economics, equity or other benefits accruing to Blackstone, other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities as a result of the introduction of a Client and its Portfolio Entities. There may, however, be instances in which the applicable arrangements provide that a Client or its Portfolio Entities share in some or all of any resulting financial incentives (including, in some cases, cash payments, additional equity ownership, participation in revenue share and/or milestones) based on structures and allocation methodologies determined in the sole discretion of Blackstone. Conversely, where a Client or one of its Portfolio Entities is the referring or introducing party, rather than receiving all of the financial incentives (including, in some cases, cash payments, additional equity ownership, participation in revenue share and/or milestones) for similar types of referrals and/or introductions, such financial incentives (including, in some cases, cash payments, additional equity ownership, participation in revenue share and/or milestones) may be similarly shared with the participating other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles or their respective Portfolio Entities.

Blackstone has also entered into certain investment management arrangements whereby it provides investment management services for compensation to insurance companies including (i) FGL, (ii)

Everlake, (iii) Corebridge and (iv) Resolution Life. As of the date hereof, Blackstone owns a 9.9% equity interest in the parent company of Everlake and Other Blackstone Vehicles own the remaining equity interests in the parent company of Everlake, and Blackstone owns a 9.9% equity interest in the parent company of Corebridge. The foregoing insurance company investment management arrangements will involve investments by such insurance company clients across a variety of asset classes (including investments that may otherwise be appropriate for a Client). As a result, in addition to the compensation Blackstone receives for providing investment management services to insurance companies in which Blackstone or an Other Blackstone Vehicle owns an interest, in certain instances Blackstone receives additional compensation in its capacity as an indirect owner of such insurance companies and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles. In the future Blackstone will likely enter into similar arrangements with other Portfolio Entities of the Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles or other insurance companies. Such arrangements may reduce the allocations of investments to a Client, and Blackstone may be incentivized to allocate investments away from a Client to such insurance company client under such investment management arrangements or other vehicles/accounts to the extent the economic arrangements related thereto are more favorable to Blackstone relative to the terms of a Client.

With respect to transactions or agreements with Portfolio Entities (including, for the avoidance of doubt, long-term incentive plans) occurring at times when unrelated officers of a Portfolio Entity are not appointed, Blackstone can be expected to negotiate and execute agreements on behalf of the Portfolio Entity with Blackstone, a Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities and Affiliates and other related parties. These negotiations would not be arm's length and would entail conflicts of interest. Among the measures Blackstone can be expected to use to mitigate such conflicts is to involve outside counsel to review and advise on such agreements and provide insights into commercially reasonable terms, or establish separate groups with information barriers within Blackstone to advise on each side of the negotiation.

Restrictive Covenants; Restrictions on Client Activities. Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Joint Venture Partners and/or their respective portfolio entities and affiliates can be expected to enter into covenants that restrict or otherwise limit the ability of Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Joint Venture Partners and/or their respective portfolio entities and affiliates to make investments in, or otherwise engage in, certain businesses or activities. For example, Other Blackstone Vehicles could have granted exclusivity to a Joint Venture Partner that limits Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles from owning assets within a certain distance of any of the joint venture's assets and/or which may require a successor Client to participate alongside a Client and/or Other Blackstone Vehicle if there is exclusivity with such Joint Venture Partner.

Blackstone, a Client, an Other Blackstone Vehicle, a Joint Venture Partner and/or their respective portfolio entities and affiliates could have entered into a non-compete or other undertaking in connection with a purchase, sale or other transaction, including, without limitation, that Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles, Joint Venture Partners and/or their respective portfolio entities and affiliates will not make investments or otherwise engage in any business or activity if such investment, business or activity could adversely affect or materially delay obtaining regulatory or other approvals in connection with any such purchase, sale or other transaction. These types of restrictions may negatively impact the ability of a Client to implement its investment program. See also “—*Multiple Blackstone Business Lines*” herein.

Related Party Leasing. Certain assets related to a Client’s Investments, owned by a Client and/or an Other Blackstone Vehicle will, in certain circumstances, lease property to or from Blackstone, other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities and Affiliates and other related parties. The leases are generally expected to, but may not always be at market rates. Blackstone may confirm market rates by reference to other leases it is aware of in the market, which Blackstone expects to be generally indicative of the market given the scale of Blackstone’s real estate business. Blackstone can be expected to nonetheless have conflicts of interest in making these determinations, and with regard to other decisions related to such assets and investments. For example, a Client may have consent rights over or be asked to approve leases, sales or evictions related to Other Blackstone Vehicles, their Portfolio Entities and affiliates and other related parties. There can be no assurance that a Client and its Portfolio Entities will lease to or from any such related parties on terms as favorable to a Client and its Portfolio Entities as would apply if the counterparties were unrelated.

Cross-Guarantees and Cross-Collateralization. In certain circumstances a Client and its Portfolio Entities may enter into cross-collateralization or cross-guarantee or similar arrangements with other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, particularly in circumstances in which more attractive financing terms are available through a cross-collateralized or cross-guarantee arrangement, particularly in circumstances where the assets of each Portfolio Entity are similar in nature. It is often better (or commercially required) for a counterparty to view the various entities as one single “Blackstone” party and therefore appropriate for these obligations to be addressed among other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles by way of a back-to-back or reimbursement type agreement. Also, it is expected that cross-collateralization will generally occur at Portfolio Entities rather than a Client for obligations that are not recourse to a Client except in limited circumstances such as “bad boy” events. Clients also expect to form certain alternative investment vehicles, special purpose vehicles and holding vehicles, which may involve cross-

guarantees or other cross-collateralization arrangements. While cross-collateralization of Investments may enable a Client to obtain more favorable terms in respect of certain indebtedness across certain Investments (for example, such as where Investments of different but overlapping classes are located in the same region or are a part of a larger portfolio) on a modest scale, any cross-collateralization arrangements with other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles could result in a Client losing its interests in otherwise performing Investments or other assets due to poorly performing or non-performing Investments or other assets of other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles in the collateral pool or such persons otherwise defaulting on their obligations under the terms of such arrangements (and, for the avoidance of doubt, a Client's obligations under such cross-collateralization arrangements are expected to apply to investments in which the Client has not participated. The Investors may also be required to fund capital contributions to cover a Client's obligations under such a default. A Client can, in certain circumstances, be exposed to risks associated with borrowings or other indebtedness of other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles when such other entities are not in turn exposed to risks associated with the Client's borrowing for a similar purpose if, for example, such other entities or the partners thereof are excused from cross-collateralizing certain partnership expenses, management fees or other obligations of the Client and Other Blackstone Vehicles. Through cross-collateralization, cross-guarantees or similar arrangements, a Client may nevertheless be indirectly exposed to risks associated with leverage on fees, expenses and/or other obligations of the Client. See also “—*Liability Arising From Transactions Entered into Alongside Other Blackstone Vehicles*” herein.

Similarly, a lender could require that it face only one Portfolio Entity of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles, even though multiple Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles benefit from the lending, which will typically result in (i) the Portfolio Entity facing the lender being solely liable with respect to the entire obligation, and therefore being required to contribute amounts in respect of the shortfall attributable to other Portfolio Entities, and (ii) Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles being jointly and severally liable for the full amount of the obligation, liable on a cross-collateralized basis or liable for an equity cushion (which cushion amount may vary depending upon the type of financing or refinancing (e.g., cushions for refinancings may be smaller)). The Portfolio Entities of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles benefiting from a financing can be expected to enter into a back-to-back or other similar reimbursement agreements to ensure no Portfolio Entity bears more than its *pro rata* portion of the debt and related obligations. It is not expected that the Portfolio Entities would be compensated (or provide compensation to other Portfolio Entities) for being primarily liable, or jointly liable, for other Portfolio Entities *pro rata* share of any financing.

Valuation Matters. The fair value of all Investments (including any assets received in exchange for any Investments or interests in a Client, as applicable) will ultimately be determined by the Adviser in accordance with the Organizational Documents and a Client's valuation policy and procedures. It will, in certain circumstances, be the case that the carrying value of an Investment does not reflect the price at which the Investment is ultimately sold in the market, and the difference between carrying value from time to time and the ultimate sales price could be material. The valuation of such investments will be determined by the Adviser in accordance with procedures set forth in the Organizational Documents and the Adviser's valuation policy for the applicable Client, and will generally be valued on a quarterly basis. The Adviser could, from time to time, rely on the analysis of third parties to determine such valuations. The valuation methodologies used to value any Investment (including determining whether to write off an Investment) will involve subjective judgments and projections and will, in certain circumstances, not be accurate. In making its determination in respect of an Investment's valuation, the Adviser is entitled to take into account all facts and circumstances it deems relevant, subject to the provisions of the Organizational Documents, and there can be no assurance that a third party or Investor would agree with one or more of the factors, assumptions or inputs used by the Adviser in making any such determination. Valuation methodologies will also involve assumptions and opinions about future events, which could turn out to be incorrect. For example, the Adviser could believe that credit spreads will be higher upon sale of an asset than they ultimately are, or that interest rates will increase during the hold period of an Investment. Valuation methodologies could permit reliance on a prior period valuation of particular investments. Ultimate realization of the value of an Investment depends to a great extent on economic, market and other conditions beyond the Adviser's control. Generally, there will be no retroactive adjustment in the valuation of any Investment, the offering price at which interests in a Client were purchased by Investors or repurchased by a Client, as applicable, or the fees and/or the performance-based compensation paid to the CTIMCO Managers to the extent any valuation proves to not accurately reflect the realizable value of an asset in an Investment, even if that retroactive adjustment would benefit the Client and/or Investors. Valuation methodologies can also be expected to change from time to time.

For purposes of the Organizational Documents, a disposition will only be deemed to have occurred as a result of a reduction in the fair value of an investment if the Adviser determines that the investment has been written off completely (*i.e.*, the adjusted cost of the investment has been reduced to zero in accordance with the terms of the Organizational Documents). For the avoidance of doubt, the invested capital with respect to an Investment (or its adjusted cost) will not be written

off (or reduced to zero) merely because the balance of probabilities indicates that such investment, more likely than not, has a fair market value of zero; rather, a write off will only occur for purposes of the Organizational Documents where the Adviser determines that the fair market value of such investment has been reduced to zero.

The valuation of Investments, as well as the determination of whether and when an Investment has been disposed of or written off (which determination remains in the sole discretion of Blackstone), will affect the amount and timing of the CTIMCO Managers' performance-based compensation and, under certain circumstances, the amount of Management Fees and Servicing Fees (if any) payable to the Adviser. In addition, the valuation of partially realized or unrealized Investments where a Client has a residual interest in such Investment will, in certain circumstances be zero or close to zero, and to the extent such Investments are unrealized, the Management Fees payable to the Adviser will be based on the invested capital relative to such Investment. See also "*—Management Fee*" herein.

Although the Adviser and its affiliates intend to operate in accordance with the Organizational Documents, as well as valuation and other policies, practices and procedures, in order to mitigate the potential for subjectivity in making valuation determinations, there can be no assurance that such policies, practices and procedures will address all of the necessary factors to do so, or completely eliminate all potential conflicts of interest in such determinations, or that any such conflicts will be resolved in favor of a Client or the Investors.

In addition, in the event that the Clients make any distribution in-kind to their limited partners, the fair market value of such securities distributed in-kind is expected to be determined by the Adviser (who at times could, but is not required to, receive input from a third-party valuation expert), subject to the terms and conditions of the Organizational Documents. As there is no guarantee that such valuations will reflect the value for such assets that would be achieved if such assets were sold to a third party rather than distributed in-kind, it is possible Investors will not receive the price for such assets that they would otherwise have received if such assets were sold in a third-party sale. If the valuations made by the Adviser in connection with the distribution-in-kind and used to calculate performance and carried interest distributions are higher than what could have been received if such investments were instead disposed of to third parties, held to maturity, or otherwise disposed of in another manner, the amount of performance-based compensation received by the Adviser, or the timing of receipt of such compensation, could be higher and earlier in time than it would have been if such assets were sold in a third-party sale. Additionally, because the amount

of proceeds Client Investors are deemed to receive in connection with distributions in-kind of marketable securities (including for purposes of calculating the Adviser's performance-based compensation) is based on an average of the trading prices both prior to and after the date of distribution (as more fully described in the Organizational Documents), the Adviser's performance-based compensation could be based on a valuation that is higher than the price of the securities at the time they are actually distributed to the limited partners or that the Adviser would have received had such securities been sold for cash at such time.

The valuation of Investments of other Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles will, in certain circumstances, affect the decision of potential Investors to subscribe for interests in a Client. Similarly, the valuation of Investments of a Client will, in certain circumstances, affect the ability of Blackstone to form and attract capital to other Clients and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles or to raise a successor fund to the Clients. As a result, the valuation of Investments of Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles, which generally remains in the sole discretion of Blackstone, involves conflicts, in which the Adviser is incentivized to defer realization of investments or hold them longer, make more speculative investments, seek to deploy the Clients' capital in investments at an accelerated pace, determine valuations that are higher (or lower) than the actual fair value of investments, and/or avoid or delay writing off an investment.

Group Procurement; Discounts. A Client and its Portfolio Entities will enter into agreements regarding group procurement, benefits management and purchase of title and other insurance policies (which can be expected to include brokerage or placement thereof) and will otherwise enter into operational, administrative or management related initiatives. Blackstone will allocate the cost of these various services and products purchased on a group basis among Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities. Some of these arrangements result in commissions, discounts, rebates or similar payments to Blackstone and its Affiliates and personnel, or other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, including as a result of transactions entered into by a Client and its Portfolio Entities, and such commissions or payment will not be subject to the Management Fee offset provisions. Blackstone can be expected to also receive consulting, usage or other fees from the parties to these group procurement arrangements. To the extent that a Portfolio Entity of an Other Blackstone Vehicle is providing such a service, such Portfolio Entity and such Other Blackstone Vehicle will benefit. Further, the benefits received by the particular Portfolio Entity providing the service will, in certain circumstances, be greater than those received by a Client and its Portfolio Entities receiving the service. Conflicts exist in

the allocation of the costs and benefits of these arrangements, and Investors rely on the Adviser to handle them in its sole discretion.

Diverse Investor Group. Investors in a Client have conflicting Investment, tax and other interests with respect to their Investments in a Client and with respect to the interests of Investors in other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles that participate in the same investments as a Client. The conflicting interests of Investors relate to, among other things, the nature, structuring, financing, tax profile and timing of disposition of Investments. The CTIMCO Managers or the Adviser will, in certain circumstances, as a result have conflicts in making these decisions, which can be expected to be more beneficial for one or more (but not all) Investors than for other Investors. In addition, a Client can be expected to make Investments that will, in certain circumstances, have a negative impact on related Investments made by the investors in separate transactions. In selecting and structuring Investments appropriate for a Client, the Adviser will consider the investment and tax objectives of a Client and its Investors as a whole (and those of Investors in other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles that participate in the same Investments as a Client), not the Investment, tax or other objectives of any Investor individually. In addition, reduction in unused capital commitments for capital contributions in respect of Management Fees are based on the actual amounts paid by the Investors. Therefore, to the extent an Investor is entitled to a discounted or reduced Management Fee arrangement (including as set forth in the Organizational Documents, investment advisory agreement or one or more side letters or other agreements (including any agreement governing a Strategic Relationship)) such Investor's capital contributions in respect of Management Fees will be disproportionate as compared to any Investor without such arrangement, and as a result such Investor's unused capital commitment will be proportionately higher than other Investors, which among other things, will cause such Investor to have a greater proportionate interest in Investments made (and expenses incurred) than would be the case absent such Management Fee arrangement. Further, certain Investors can be expected to also be Investors in other Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles, including supplemental capital vehicles and co-investors that invest alongside a Client in one or more Investments, which could create conflicts for the Adviser in the treatment of different Investors.

Investors can be expected to also include Affiliates of Blackstone, such as other Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles (including strategic partners investment via a primary investment or secondary acquisition), Other Blackstone Vehicles, Affiliates of Portfolio Entities of Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles, charities or foundations associated with Blackstone personnel and current or former Blackstone personnel, Blackstone's senior advisors and operating partners, and

any such Affiliates, funds or persons can be expected to also invest in a Client or through the vehicles established in connection with Blackstone's side-by-side co-investment rights, in each case, without being subject to Management Fees or performance-based compensation (or otherwise on more favorable terms) and the Investors will not be afforded the benefits of such arrangements. Some of the foregoing Blackstone related parties are sponsors of feeder vehicles that could invest in a Client as Investors. The Blackstone related sponsors of feeder vehicles generally charge their Investors additional fees, including performance-based fees, which could provide Blackstone current income and increase the value of its ownership position in them. Blackstone will therefore have incentives to refer potential Investors to these feeder vehicles. All of these Blackstone related Investors will have equivalent rights to vote and withhold consents as nonrelated Investors, unless otherwise provided by the terms of the Organizational Documents. Nonetheless, Blackstone may have the ability to influence, directly or indirectly, these Blackstone related Investors.

It is also possible that a Client or a Client's Portfolio Entities will, in certain circumstances, be counterparties (such counterparties dealt with on an arm's length basis) or participants in agreements, transactions or other arrangements with an Investor or its Affiliates (which may occur in connection with such Investor or its affiliates making a capital commitment to a Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles), including with respect to one or more Investments. Such arrangements may take the form of direct transactions with an Investor or its Affiliates and/or may include indirect transactions and arrangement with other counterparties in which such Investor or its Affiliates hold an interest (whether minority or controlling). Such Investors described in the previous sentences can be expected to therefore have different information about Blackstone and a Client than Investors not similarly positioned. In addition, conflicts of interest will, in certain circumstances, arise in dealing with any such Investors, and the CTIMCO Managers and their Affiliates may be motivated to enter into agreements, transactions or arrangements with Investors or their Affiliates in order to secure capital commitments from Investors to a Client or Other Blackstone Vehicles and may otherwise be motivated by factors other than the interests of the Client. (See also “—**Other Blackstone Business Activities**” herein.) Similarly, not all Investors monitor their investments in vehicles such as a Client in the same manner. For example, certain Investors can be expected to periodically request from the Adviser information regarding a Client and its Portfolio Entities and Investments that is not otherwise included in the reporting and other information delivered to all Investors—for instance, pre-quarterly reporting valuation. In such circumstances, the Adviser may provide such information to such Investor and not to other Investors. As a result, certain Investors can be expected to receive more information from the

Adviser about a Client and its Portfolio Entities or can be expected to receive information about a Client and its Portfolio Entities at an earlier time than other Investors, and the Adviser will have no duty to ensure all Investors receive the same information regarding a Client and its Portfolio Entities. In addition, investment banks or other financial institutions, as well as Blackstone personnel, can be expected to also be Investors. These institutions and personnel are a potential source of information and ideas that could benefit a Client, and can be expected to receive information about a Client and its Portfolio Entities in their capacity as a service provider or vendor to a Client and its Portfolio Entities.

Further, Investors with different domiciles or tax categorizations could receive different investment returns or amounts of tax basis and/or pay different levels of expenses, *e.g.*, based on tax savings or ownership of alternative investment vehicle, “blocker” or other structures used to facilitate their investments in, through or below a Client.

Affiliated Investors. Certain Investors in a Client, including Blackstone Employee Investors, will receive preferential terms in connection with their Investment in or alongside a Client. Specific examples of such preferential terms received by certain affiliated Investors include, among others, waiver of Management Fees and/or performance-based compensation. For the avoidance of doubt, in the case of an affiliated Investor that is an Other Blackstone Vehicle with its own underlying investors, such underlying investors are generally subject to performance-based compensation and/or management fees in connection with their investment in such Other Blackstone Vehicle. Notwithstanding the foregoing, such Investors will either directly pay for their *pro rata* share of certain partnership expenses, or the *pro rata* amount of such expenses will be allocated to the Adviser or its Affiliates. Such *pro rata* allocation of partnership expenses will, in certain circumstances, be calculated based on Commitments, invested capital, available capital or other metrics as determined by the Adviser in good faith. Any such methodology (including the choice thereof) involves inherent conflicts and will, in certain circumstances, not result in perfect attribution and allocation of expenses. In addition, by virtue of their affiliation with the Adviser, affiliated Investors will have more information about a Client and Investments than other Investors and will have access to information (including, but not limited to, valuation reports) in advance of communication to other Investors. As a result, such affiliated Investors will be able to take actions on the basis of such information which, in the absence of such information, other Investors do not take. (See also “—***Diverse Investor Group***” herein.) Additionally, in case of an Investor that is an Other Blackstone Vehicle with its own underlying investors, such underlying investors may have received preferential or different terms in connection with their investment in such Other Blackstone Vehicle (including, but not limited to, liquidity rights) as compared to the other

Investors. While such affiliated Investors and/or Clients will seek to adopt policies and procedures to address such conflicts of interest, there can be no assurance that the conflicts of interest described above will be resolved in favor of the Client or other Investors.

Investors' Outside Activities. A Investor shall be entitled to and can be expected to have business interests and engage in activities in addition to those relating to a Client, including business interests and activities in direct competition with a Client and its Portfolio Entities, and may engage in transactions with, and provide services to, a Client or its Portfolio Entities (which will, in certain circumstances, include providing leverage or other financing to a Client or its Portfolio Entities as determined by the Adviser in its sole discretion). None of a Client, any Investor or any other Person shall have any rights by virtue of the Organizational Documents or any related agreements in any business ventures of any Investor. The Investor, and in certain cases the Adviser, will have conflicting loyalties in these situations.

Insurance. A Client will purchase or bear premiums, fees, costs and expenses (including any expenses or fees of insurance brokers) to insure the Client, Portfolio Entities, the Adviser, Blackstone and their respective directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives against liability in connection with the activities of the Client. This includes a portion of any premiums, fees, costs and expenses for one or more “umbrella”, group or other insurance policies maintained by Blackstone that cover one or more Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles, the Adviser and/or Blackstone (including their respective directors, officers, employees, agents and representatives). The Adviser will make judgments about the allocation of premiums, fees, costs and expenses for such “umbrella”, group or other insurance policies among one or more Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles, the Adviser and/or Blackstone on a fair and reasonable basis, in its sole discretion, and may make corrective allocations should it determine subsequently that such corrections are necessary or advisable. For example, some property insurance could be allocated on a property-by-property basis in accordance with the relative values of the respective properties that are insured by such policies.

Similarly, a Client and its Portfolio Entities may enter into arrangements with Other Blackstone Vehicles and their respective Portfolio Entities whereby insurance is procured as a group where the insurance provider may charge lower premiums to the group than it would on an individual basis. In such event, the obligation to pay the premiums on such group policies may be allocated in accordance with the relative values of the respective entities that are insured by such policies (or other factors that Blackstone may reasonably determine). Additionally, Clients and Other Blackstone Vehicles (and their respective Portfolio Entities) will, in certain circumstances, jointly

contribute to a pool of funds that can be expected to be used to pay losses that are subject to the deductibles on any group insurance policies, which contributions may similarly be allocated in accordance with the relative values of the respective assets that are insured by such policies (or other factors that Blackstone can be expected to reasonably determine). See also “—*Service Providers, Vendors and Other Counterparties Generally*” and “—*Group Procurement; Discounts*” herein.

In respect of such insurance arrangements, Blackstone can be expected to make corrective allocations, from time to time, should it determine subsequently that such adjustments are necessary or advisable. There can be no assurance that different allocations or arrangements than those implemented by Blackstone as provided above would not result in a Client and its Portfolio Entities bearing less (or more) premiums, deductibles, fees, costs and expenses for insurance policies.

Charitable and Political Contributions. To the fullest extent permitted by applicable law, the Adviser may, from time to time, require, cause or invite a Client and/or a Portfolio Entity to make contributions to charitable initiatives, certain communities and/or related organizations or other non-profit organizations that the Adviser believes could, directly or indirectly, enhance the value of a Client’s Investments, assist in completing an acquisition of a Portfolio Entity or other transaction (whether or not documented at the time of such acquisition or transaction) or otherwise serve a business purpose for, or be beneficial to, a Client or its Portfolio Entities. Such contributions could be designed to benefit employees of a Portfolio Entity, the community in which a Portfolio Entity operates or a charitable cause essential to, or consistent with, the business purpose of a Portfolio Entity. In certain instances, such charitable initiatives could be sponsored by, affiliated with or related to current or former employees of Blackstone, Portfolio Entity management teams, advisors, service providers, vendors, Joint Venture Partners, and/or other persons or organizations associated with Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles or the Portfolio Entities. These relationships could influence the Adviser’s decision whether to require, cause or invite Clients or Portfolio Entities to make charitable contributions. Further, from time to time, such charitable contributions by Clients or the Portfolio Entities could supplement or replace charitable contributions that Blackstone would have otherwise made. Also, in certain instances, the Adviser may, from time to time, select a service provider or other counterparty to a Client or its Investments based, in part, on the charitable initiatives of such person where the Adviser believes such charitable initiatives could, directly or indirectly, enhance the value of a Client’s Investments or otherwise be beneficial to the Portfolio Entities.

To the fullest extent permitted by applicable laws, a Portfolio Entity and/or, less commonly, a Client on behalf of a Portfolio Entity may, in the ordinary course of its business, make political contributions to elected officials, candidates for elected office or political organizations, hire lobbyists or engage in other permissible political activities in U.S. or non-U.S. jurisdictions with the intent of furthering its business interests or otherwise. Portfolio Entities are not considered Affiliates of the Adviser (and in some cases are not controlled by the Adviser), and therefore such activities are not subject to relevant policies of the Adviser and such activities may be undertaken by a Portfolio Entity without the knowledge or direction of the Adviser. In other circumstances, there may be initiatives where such activities are coordinated by Blackstone for the benefit of one or more Portfolio Entities. In certain circumstances, interests of a Portfolio Entity may not align with or be adverse to the interests of other Portfolio Entities, the applicable Client, Other Blackstone Vehicles or its Investors. The costs of such activities may be allocated among those Portfolio Entities (and borne indirectly by the Investors). While the costs of such activities will typically be borne by the Portfolio Entity (and indirectly the Client) undertaking such activities, such activities could also directly or indirectly benefit other Portfolio Entities, Other Blackstone Vehicles or Blackstone (it being understood that to the extent the Adviser determines that such activities are in the best interests of an Investment, the Client and/or Other Blackstone Vehicles, then such vehicle, as applicable, is expected to bear its *pro rata* share of such costs as partnership expenses). There can be no assurance that any such activities will be successful in advancing the interests of a Portfolio Entity or otherwise benefit such Portfolio Entity or the Client.

Any such charitable contributions or political contributions made by Clients or the Portfolio Vehicles, if material, could affect such Client's performance in respect of the relevant Investment and will not offset Management Fees payable by such Client. There can be no assurance that any such activities will actually be beneficial to or enhance the value of a Client or the Portfolio Entities, or that the Adviser will be able to resolve any associated conflict of interest in favor of the Clients.

Other Conflicts. In addition, other present and future activities of Blackstone, Clients, Other Blackstone Vehicles and their Portfolio Entities, Affiliates and related parties will from time to time give rise to additional conflicts of interest relating to a Client and its investment activities. The Adviser generally attempts to resolve conflicts in a fair and reasonable manner, but conflicts will not necessarily be resolved in favor of a Client's interests.

Additional Potential Conflicts of Interest. The officers, directors, members, managers and personnel of the Adviser can be expected to trade in securities and make personal investments for

their own accounts, including, without limitation, alternative investment funds, real estate funds, hedge funds or other investment vehicles that may be potential competitors of the Clients, subject to restrictions and reporting requirements as may be required by law and Blackstone policies or as otherwise determined from time to time by the CTIMCO Managers and/or Adviser, as applicable. Such personal securities transactions and investments will, in certain circumstances, result in conflicts of interest, including to the extent they relate to (i) a company in which a Client holds or acquires an interest (either directly through a privately negotiated investment or indirectly through the purchase of securities or other traded instruments related thereto) and (ii) entities that have interests which are adverse to those of a Client or pursue similar investment opportunities as a Client. In addition, as a consequence of Blackstone's status as a public company, the officers, directors, members, managers and personnel of the Adviser can be expected to take into account certain considerations and other factors in connection with the management of the business and affairs of a Client and its Portfolio Entities that would not necessarily be taken into account if Blackstone were not a public company. The directors of Blackstone have fiduciary duties to Blackstone Inc. that may conflict with their duties to a Client. Finally, although Blackstone believes its positive reputation in the marketplace provides benefit to a Client and Other Blackstone Vehicles, the Adviser could decline to undertake investment activity or transact with a counterparty on behalf of a Client for reputational reasons, and this decision could result in a Client foregoing a profit or suffering a loss. See also "*—Outside Activities of Principals and Other Personnel and their Related Parties*" above.

Side Letters and Agreements. The Adviser will enter into side letters or other similar agreements with certain Investors in connection with their admission to the partnership without the approval of any other Investor, which will have the effect of establishing rights (other than as set forth in the PPM and the Organizational Documents as a general matter) under or altering or supplementing the terms of the Organizational Documents with respect to such Investors in a manner more favorable to such Investors than those applicable to other Investors. Such rights or terms in any such side letter or other similar agreement typically include, without limitation, (i) the Adviser's agreement to extend information rights or reporting to such Investor, including, without limitation, to accommodate special tax, regulatory, policy or other circumstances of such Investor, (ii) waiver or modification of certain confidentiality obligations and/or documentation that might be requested by the Adviser for the benefit of lenders or other persons extending credit to or arranging financing for the Client, (iii) consent of the Adviser to certain transfers by such Investor or other exercises by the Adviser of its discretionary authority under the Organizational Documents for the benefit of such Investor, (iv) restrictions on, or special rights of, such Investor

with respect to, the activities of the Adviser, (v) withdrawal rights (subject to the consent of the Adviser) due to legal, regulatory, tax, accounting or policy matters, including matters related to political contributions, gifts, disclosure of identity, internal investments guidelines and other such policies, (vi) other rights or terms necessary in light of particular legal, regulatory, tax, accounting or public policy characteristics of an Investor, (vii) economic arrangements (including, for example, with respect to the amount of any Servicing Fees and/or Management Fees charged to a limited partner and/or full or partial waiver thereof, which waiver may be determined in the Adviser's sole discretion), (viii) matters regarding such Investor's right to participate in co-investment opportunities, (ix) matters regarding such Investor's (or its affiliates') interest in providing debt financing to the Client or its Portfolio Entities, (x) additional obligations, and restrictions of the Client with respect to the structuring of any investment (including with respect to alternative investment vehicles) or (xi) waiver or modification of the default remedies that can be enforced against such limited partner, or (xii) excuse or exclusion rights applicable to particular Investments, including the application of excuse rights on an "automatic" basis (which may increase the percentage interest of other Investors in, and contribution obligations of other Investors with respect to, such Investments). Such side letters may permit such Investors to take actions on the basis of information not available to other Investors that do not have the benefit of such agreements. Any rights or terms established in a side letter with an Investor (including, for example, with respect to Management Fees, Servicing Fees and performance-based compensation to be charged to such investor as determined in the Adviser's sole discretion) will govern solely with respect to such Investor (and any of such Investor's assignees or transferees if so specified in the side letter) and will not require the approval of any other Investor notwithstanding any other provision of the Organizational Documents and, for the avoidance of doubt, matters arising under any such side letter are considered matters contemplated in the Organizational Documents and the limitation on liability provisions therein shall apply equally to any such side letter.

Notwithstanding the fact that an Investor has a most-favored-nations provision in its side letter, such Investor will not, notwithstanding the terms of such side letter provision, have the right to elect any rights or benefits: (a) unless such Investor agrees to be bound by any obligations, restrictions or other terms related to such rights or benefits that have been agreed to with the investor initially granted such rights or benefits and satisfies any conditions upon which such rights and benefits are expressed to be granted; (b) contained in any side letter entered into in connection with the admission of an investor and its affiliates to the partnership and Other Blackstone Vehicles pursuant to an overall arrangement with Blackstone (such as a Strategic Relationship), which side letter, for greater certainty, may remain confidential and not shared with any other investors; (c)

in respect of any supplemental capital vehicle (including any Supplemental Account described in “—*Other Blackstone Vehicles; Allocation of Investment Opportunities*” herein) established through which one or more Investors could co-invest alongside the Client and/or certain Other Blackstone Vehicles; (d) that relate to appointing (or removing) a representative or non-voting observer to an advisory board or board of directors established in respect of an Investment; (e) that relate to a waiver of the Servicing Fee, in whole or in part, with respect to an Investor (any such waiver being made by the General Partner in its sole discretion, for any reason, such as an Investor’s relationship with Blackstone, or no reason at all); (f) established in favor of another investor by reason of the fact that such other investor is subject to any laws, rules, regulations or policies to which the Investor is not also subject; (g) that are personal to another investor based solely on the place of organization or headquarters of, organizational form of, or other particular restrictions or considerations applicable to, such investor (including with respect to percentage ownership of the Client, placement fees or anti-money laundering representations); (h) relating to the provision to, or disclosure by, an Investor or agent thereof of information concerning the Client, any parallel fund, any alternative vehicle, the Adviser or any of their affiliates, any Portfolio Entity and/or an Investment; (i) granted to an affiliate of Blackstone (including, for this purpose, any Other Blackstone Vehicle and/or charity, foundation or endowment or other similar program (including any related entities, vehicles and/or accounts) associated with Blackstone), Blackstone’s senior and/or key advisors and relationships, operating partners and/or its current or former employees, professionals, partners and affiliates, among other items; and/or (j) granted to any employees and/or other professionals of a Portfolio Entity or an Investment. Moreover, such most-favored-nations provisions do not require the Adviser to disclose to any Investor provisions provided to other Investors that such Investor is not eligible to elect as determined in the General Partner’s discretion, and therefore an Investor may not be made aware of certain provisions to other Investors.

It is also expected that Blackstone will from time to time confirm factual matters to incoming Investors, make statements of intent or expectation to such Investors or acknowledge statements by such incoming Investors that relate to the Client and/or Blackstone’s activities pertaining thereto in one or more respects. In addition, Blackstone may from time to time agree to certain matters relating to knowledge transfer and/or secondments with one or more Investors as part of an overall firm relationship. Any such statements, confirmations, agreements or acknowledgements, including those made in response to an investor’s due diligence requests, will not involve the granting of any legal right or benefit, and therefore will not be subject to the “most favored nations” process or election by the Investors, and as a result Investors will not typically

receive notice thereof or copies of the documentation (if any) in which they are contained. There can be no assurance that any such arrangements will not have an adverse effect on the Client or that such arrangements will not influence Blackstone’s activities or the operations of the Client.

It is expected that an Investor’s excuse or exclusion right otherwise applicable to one or more Investments will be limited or unavailable in respect of follow-on investments relating to such Investments, particularly where a follow-on investment results from decisions in respect of subsequent acquisitions made by management of the relevant Portfolio Entity, or the follow-on investment is made as part of a platform investment or in the same Portfolio Entity as the initial Investment (and therefore is not segregated from the initial Investment).

Other Financial Industry Affiliations

The Adviser is an Affiliate of the following entities:

Bank Entity	
Luminor Bank AS*	A Baltic bank purchased by Blackstone Capital Partners
Broker-Dealer Entities	
Assetpoint Financial, LLC*	Operates a service that facilitates the entry by banks and other financial institutions in to repurchase agreement transactions for themselves or as agent for their customers
Blackstone Securities Partners L.P.	Provides a variety of limited investment banking services
Currencies Direct Ltd.**	Provides money transfer services to individuals and businesses on a global basis
Everlake Distributors LLC*	Provides underwriting and distribution of variable life insurance or annuities to other broker-dealers and registered investment advisers
FEF Distributors LLC*	Serves as distributor and principal underwriter to the First Eagle mutual funds and private investment funds
Finance of America Securities LLC**	Provides a variety of limited investment banking services

Investment Advisor Entities	
Blackstone Alternative Asset Management L.P.	Manages a series of private funds engaged in multi-manager investment programs (<i>i.e.</i> , fund of hedge funds)
Blackstone Alternative Credit Advisors LP	Provides investment advisory services to a number of debt-focused private investment funds and closed-end funds
Blackstone Alternative Investment Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to open end mutual funds and pooled investment vehicles
Blackstone Alternative Solutions L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to private investment funds which participate in a broad range of direct investment opportunities
Blackstone Asset Based Finance Advisors LP	Provides investment advisory services to a number of separately managed accounts and vehicles that primarily engage in asset backed securities and whole loan investments
Blackstone CLO Management LLC (Management Series)	Provides investment advisory services to U.S. CLOs
Blackstone Communications Advisors I L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to a private investment fund specializing in communications-related private equity investments
Blackstone Core Equity Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to various private equity funds
Blackstone Credit BDC Advisors LLC	Provides investment advisory services to a debt-focused investment company electing to do business as a business development company
Blackstone Credit Systematic Strategies LLC	Provides investment advisory services to debt-focused separately managed accounts, private investment funds, closed-end funds and UCITS funds
Blackstone Growth Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to private growth investment funds
Blackstone Infrastructure Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to one or more infrastructure-focused investment funds

Blackstone ISG-I Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to one or more private investment funds and managed accounts focusing on fixed income investments and investments across Blackstone’s private equity, real asset, credit, hedge fund and opportunistic asset management strategies
Blackstone ISG-II Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to various private investment funds focusing on investments across Blackstone’s private equity, real asset, credit, hedge fund and opportunistic asset management strategies
Blackstone Life Sciences Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to various private investment funds specializing in the life sciences industry
Blackstone Liquid Credit Advisors I LLC	Provides investment advisory services to a number of debt-focused private investment funds and separately managed accounts
Blackstone Liquid Credit Strategies LLC	Provides investment advisory services to a number of debt-focused private investment funds, closed-end funds and separately managed accounts
Blackstone Management Partners L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to various private equity funds
Blackstone Management Partners IV L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to various private equity funds
Blackstone Multi-Asset Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to various private investment funds focusing on investments across Blackstone’s private equity, real asset, credit, hedge fund and opportunistic alternative asset management strategies
Blackstone Private Investments Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to multi-strategy private equity funds
Blackstone Private Credit Strategies LLC	Provides investment advisory services to a number of debt-focused private investment funds
Blackstone Property Advisors L.P.	Provides investment advisory services to various private real estate investment funds and pooled investment vehicles
Blackstone Real Estate Advisors Europe L.P.	Provides investment advisory services to various private real estate investment funds

Blackstone Real Estate Advisors L.P.	Provides investment advisory services to various private real estate investment funds
Blackstone Real Estate Advisors IV L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to various private real estate investment funds
Blackstone Real Estate Advisors V L.P.	Provides investment advisory services to various private real estate investment funds
Blackstone Real Estate Special Situations Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to private investment funds and accounts which invest primarily in public and private real estate and real estate-related debt investments
Blackstone Strategic Alliance Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to private investment funds primarily engaged in a hedge fund “seeding” program
Blackstone Strategic Capital Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to private funds engaged primarily in acquisitions of minority interests in alternative asset managers
Blackstone Tactical Opportunities Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to multi-discipline, multi-asset class private funds and separately managed accounts
BSCA Advisors L.L.C. (Relying Adviser)	Provides investment advisory services to certain co-investment vehicles relating to funds managed by Blackstone Strategic Capital Advisors L.L.C.
BXMT Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to a publicly traded REIT and its related entities
BX REIT Advisors L.L.C.	Provides investment advisory services to a non-traded REIT and its operating subsidiary
Clarus Ventures, LLC	Provides investment advisory services to various private investment funds specializing in the life sciences industry
Clover Credit Management, LLC	Provides investment advisory services to CLOs

Clover CLO Advisors, LLC (Relying Adviser)	Provides investment advisory services to CLOs
Finance of America Capital Management LLC **	Provides investment advisory services to mortgage related asset private funds and managed accounts
First Eagle Alternative Credit EU, LLC*	Provides investment advisory services to various private investment funds specializing in the European direct lending industry
First Eagle Alternative Credit EU MOA, Ltd.*	Sponsor of limited partnerships for First Eagle’s European Alternative Credit business
First Eagle Alternative Credit Funding, LLC*	Sponsor of limited partnerships for First Eagle’s Alternative Credit business
First Eagle Alternative Credit, LLC*	Provides investment advisory services for both direct lending and broadly syndicated investments, through public and private vehicles, collateralized loan obligations, separately managed accounts, and co-mingled funds
First Eagle Investment Management, LLC*	Provides investment advisory services to mutual funds, private investment funds, institutional accounts and high net worth individuals
First Eagle Separate Account Management, LLC*	Provides investment advisory services to a business development company
First Eagle Direct Lending Manager III, LLC*	Serves as the manager of a private direct lending fund
Harvest Fund Advisors LLC	Provides investment advisory services to various categories of institutions and high net worth individuals via private pooled investment vehicles and separate accounts investing principally in publicly-traded energy infrastructure, renewables and Master Limited Partnerships holding midstream energy assets in North America
Strategic Partners Fund Solutions Advisors L.P.	Provides investment advisory services to a number of pooled investment and custom vehicles operating as private investment funds

Napier Park Global Capital (US) LP*	Provides investment advisory services to credit and private investing private investment funds and institutional accounts and collateral management services to securitized asset funds
NIBC Bank N.V.***	Advisory/banking affiliate of NIBC, a PE and BTO portfolio company
NIBC Credit Management, Inc.***	Advisory affiliate of NIBC, a PE and BTO portfolio company
Regatta Loan Management LLC* (Relying Adviser)	Provides collateral management services to securitized asset funds
ASK Investment Managers Ltd.*	Provides investment advisory services to funds and high net worth individuals in India
Blackstone Europe Fund Management S.a.r.l.	Provides services to various alternative investment funds with branch offices in other locations
Blackstone Ireland Fund Management Limited	Provides investment advisory services (management/distribution) to debt-focused private investment funds and alternative investment funds
Blackstone Ireland Limited	Provides investment advisory services to debt-focused private investment funds, separately managed accounts and acts as an investment fund manager
Blackstone Administrative Services Canada ULC	Canadian exempt investment adviser, which serves as a sub-advisor to the registrant and/or its affiliates
Blackstone Advisors India Private Limited	India investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant
Blackstone Advisors Korea Limited	Korean investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant
Blackstone Capital Israel Ltd.	Israel investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant

Blackstone Real Estate Australia Pty Limited	Australian investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant and provides investment management services to trustees and in respect of trusts indirectly controlled by the registrant
Blackstone (Shanghai) Equity Investment Management Co. Ltd.	Chinese investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant
Blackstone Singapore Pte Ltd	Singapore investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant and provides investment advisory services to funds controlled by the registrant
BX Mexico Advisors S.A. de C.V.	Mexican advisory entity which provides services to certain publicly registered trusts
The Blackstone Group (Australia) Pty Limited	Australian investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant
The Blackstone Group Germany GmbH	German investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant and acts as an investment fund manager
The Blackstone Group (HK) Limited	Hong Kong investment advisory firm holding licenses of dealing in securities and advising on securities, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant
Blackstone Europe LLP	U.K. investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant, with branch offices in other locations
The Blackstone Group Japan K.K.	Japanese investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to affiliates of the registrant and has a broker-dealer license for fund marketing
The Blackstone Group Spain SLU	Spain investment advisory firm, which serves as a sub-advisor to the registrant
Registered Commodity Trading Advisor and/or Registered Commodity Pool Operator Entities	
Blackstone Alternative Asset Management L.P. (CTA/CPO)	Manages a series of private and closed-end funds engaged in multi-manager investment programs (<i>i.e.</i> , fund of hedge funds)
Blackstone Alternative Investment Advisors LLC (CTA/CPO)	Provides investment advisory services to open end mutual funds and UCITS

Blackstone Alternative Solutions L.L.C. (CTA/CPO)	Provides investment advisory services to private investment funds which participate in a broad range of direct investment opportunities
Blackstone Strategic Alliance Advisors L.L.C. (CTA/CPO)	Manages a series of private funds engaged in a hedge fund “seeding” program
Napier Park Global Capital (US) LP* (CTA/CPO)	Provides investment advisory services to credit and private investing private investment funds and institutional accounts and collateral management services to securitized asset funds
Insurance Entities	
ELIC Reinsurance Company*	A captive insurance company and wholly-owned subsidiary of Everlake Life Insurance Company
Everlake Assurance Company*	A life insurance company domiciled in the State of Illinois
Everlake Life Insurance Company*	A life insurance company domiciled in the State of Illinois specializing in life insurance and annuities
Everlake Reinsurance Limited*	An exempted reinsurance company organized under the laws of the Cayman Islands
Resolution Life Group Holdings Ltd.*	An insurance company organized under the laws of Bermuda
Resolution Life Colorado, Inc.*	An insurance company domiciled in the State of Colorado
Security Life of Denver Insurance Company*	An insurance company domiciled in the State of Colorado
Midwestern United Life Insurance Company*	An insurance company domiciled in the State of Indiana

Roaring River II, Inc.*	A captive insurance company and wholly-owned subsidiary of Resolution Life Group Holdings L.P., domiciled in the State of Arizona
Security Life of Denver International Limited*	A captive insurance company and wholly-owned subsidiary of Resolution Life Group Holdings L.P., domiciled in the State of Arizona
Resolution Re Ltd.*	A reinsurance company organized under the laws of Bermuda
Resolution Life Australasia Limited*	An insurance company organized under the laws of Australia
RLNM Limited*	An insurance company organized under the laws of Australia
Resolution Life New Zealand Ltd.*	An insurance company organized under the laws of New Zealand
Gryphon Mutual Insurance Company****	A captive property insurance company
Ki Financial Limited**	A digitally driven Lloyd's of London syndicate insurance company
Lexington National Land Services	A wholly owned title and escrow agent
Prima Assicurazioni S.p.A.**	An Italian tech-enabled insurance company
Westland Insurance Group Ltd. *****	A property and casualty insurance broker

*Portfolio Entity of affiliated private equity fund

**Portfolio Entity of affiliated tactical opportunities funds

***Portfolio Entity of affiliated private equity and tactical opportunities funds

**** Captive property insurance company owned by its participants (which are Blackstone Real Estate fund investments) and managed by an affiliate of Blackstone

*****Portfolio Entity of Blackstone Credit funds

Note: The Adviser manages a number of private Clients which are listed in ADV Part 1, Schedule D, Section 7.B (1).

Various management personnel are registered with the Blackstone broker-dealer, BSP, which serves as placement agent to Clients. Blackstone does not believe these registrations, in and of themselves, create conflicts for its Investors.

In addition, the Blackstone Real Estate Group has formed a special entity to serve as a counterparty to contracts with third parties, including but not limited to service providers to the Other Estate Vehicles.

A related person acts as manager or managing member of the Clients. As indicated in Item 4, the Adviser controls the CTIMCO Managers who are relying on the Adviser's registration under the Advisers Act and are not registering themselves.

As part of their regular business, the Adviser and its Affiliates provide other financial and business advisory services. In addition, the Adviser and its Affiliates may provide investment advisory services in the future beyond those currently provided.

In connection with its advisory businesses, the Adviser may come into possession of information that limits its ability to engage in potential transactions. The Clients' and/or CDOs' activities may be constrained as a result of the Adviser's ability to use such information.

The Adviser does not select other advisers to provide services to its Clients or CDOs.

Finally, other present and future activities of Blackstone will, from time to time, give rise to additional conflicts of interest. In the event that any such conflict of interest arises, Blackstone will attempt to resolve such conflicts in a fair and equitable manner. Investors should be aware that conflicts will not necessarily be resolved in favor of a Client's interests.

A more detailed description of applicable conflicts of interest is set forth in the Offering Documents of each Client, which Investors are encouraged to consult.

Item 11 – Code of Ethics, Participation or Interests in Client Transactions and Personal Trading

The Adviser is governed by the Code of Ethics. The Code of Ethics governs a number of potential conflicts of interest which exist when providing advisory services to the Investors in the Clients it manages. The Code of Ethics is reasonably designed to ensure that the Adviser meets its fiduciary obligation to the Adviser's Clients (or prospective clients) and to instill a culture of compliance within the Adviser. An additional benefit of the Code of Ethics is to detect and prevent violations of securities laws.

The Code of Ethics is distributed to each employee at the time of hire and annually thereafter, and it is available on Blackstone's intranet website. The Adviser also supplements the Code of Ethics with ongoing monitoring of employee activity.

The Code of Ethics includes, among other items, the following:

- Requirements related to confidentiality;
- Limitations on, and reporting of, gifts and entertainment;
- Pre-clearance of political contributions;
- Pre-clearance and reporting of employee personal securities transactions;
- Pre-clearance of outside business activities; and
- Protection of persons who engage in "whistle blowing" activities from retaliation.

On an annual basis, Blackstone requires all employees to certify that they are in compliance with the Code of Ethics.

Blackstone offers many different products and services across its many businesses and there are several potential conflicts of interest which will, from time to time, arise. Please see **Item 10 – Other Financial Industry Activities and Affiliations** for a list of investment related potential conflicts, including, in particular, "*Other Blackstone Vehicles; Allocation of Investment Opportunities*" describing conflicts related to allocation of investment opportunities among Clients sponsored by Blackstone, Other Blackstone Vehicles and co-investors. The Adviser has adopted policies and procedures reasonably designed to address such potential conflicts of interest.

The Adviser and its related personnel are subject to guidelines governing the ability to trade in personal accounts. The guidelines generally require that such trading be conducted for investment rather than speculative purposes (including by having minimum holding periods) and that all such personal securities transactions receive pre-clearance from the Blackstone Legal and Compliance Department. As a policy matter, Blackstone personnel are generally prohibited from purchasing single-name public securities in their self-directed personal securities brokerage accounts. These guidelines are reasonably designed to comply with SEC requirements that registered investment advisers have a Code of Ethics, and are intended to assist Blackstone with identifying and mitigating actual or potential conflicts of interest with Clients or Other Blackstone Vehicles that may arise as a result of such transactions. In addition, Blackstone has implemented certain policies and procedures (*e.g.*, information walls) to restrict access to material non-public information. The Blackstone Legal and Compliance Department is responsible for overseeing compliance with the requirements of the Code of Ethics, which requirements include, but are not limited to, reporting of personal investment activities, accounts, pre-clearance of personal securities transactions, reporting of certain investment transactions and periodic compliance certifications. The Code of Ethics is available for review upon request.

You may request a copy of Blackstone's Code of Ethics by contacting the Adviser's Chief Compliance Officer, Scott Mathias, at (212) 583-5000.

Item 12 – Brokerage Practices

In the event the Adviser executes a brokerage transaction for the Clients, the Adviser will generally consider qualitative factors including, but not limited to, the broker's reliability and execution capabilities for the transaction, the commissions charged by the broker, and the broker's reputation and responsiveness to requests for trade data and other financial information.

Portfolio transactions are allocated to brokers in consideration of such factors as price, the ability of the brokers to effect the transactions and any research or investment management-related services provided by such brokers that the Adviser believes to be of benefit to the Clients.

Securities transactions can be expected to generate brokerage commissions and other compensation, all of which the Clients, not the Adviser or any of its Affiliates, will be obligated to pay. The Adviser has complete discretion in deciding what brokers and dealers the Clients will use and in negotiating the rates of compensation the Clients will pay. In addition to using brokers as "agents" and paying commissions, the Clients will, in certain circumstances, buy or sell securities directly from or to dealers acting as principals at prices that include markups or markdowns.

Research and Other Soft Dollar Benefits

Research (proprietary or otherwise) or investment-related services provided by brokers through which portfolio transactions for the Clients are executed, settled and cleared can be expected to include research reports on particular industries and companies, economic surveys and analyses, recommendations as to specific securities, on-line quotations, news and research services. The Adviser will, in certain circumstances, use "soft dollars" generated by the Clients to pay for certain research and non-research related services and products used by the Adviser within the safe harbor afforded by Section 28(e) of the Exchange Act. However, the Adviser does not currently have any "soft dollar" arrangements.

The Adviser does not select nor recommend broker-dealers based on Investor referrals nor does the Adviser participate in directed brokerage practices.

Brokerage for Client Referrals

The Adviser does not enter into agreements with, or make commitments to, any broker-dealer that would bind the Adviser to compensate that broker-dealer, directly or indirectly, for client referrals (or sale of fund interests) through the placement of brokerage transactions.

Aggregation of Orders/Allocation of Trades

The Adviser performs investment management services for various Clients or CDOs. There will be occasions on which portfolio transactions may be executed as part of concurrent authorizations to purchase or sell the same security for numerous Client or CDO accounts, some of which may have similar investment objectives. Although such concurrent authorizations potentially could be either advantageous or disadvantageous to any one or more particular accounts, they will be effected only when the Adviser believes that to do so will be in the best interest of the affected accounts. When such concurrent authorizations occur, the objective will be to allocate the executions in a manner that is deemed equitable to the accounts involved.

Since participation in specific investment opportunities may be appropriate, at times, for more than one Client or CDO, the Adviser has established policies and procedures for allocating investment opportunities among Clients or CDOs, subject to any requirements of the documents governing its relationship with the Clients or CDOs. The policies and procedures have been adopted to ensure that investment opportunities are allocated across multiple Clients or CDOs on a fair and equitable basis over time.

The Adviser will allocate such opportunities among Clients or CDOs on a basis that the Adviser determines in good faith to be appropriate, taking into consideration factors including, but not limited to, the Client's or CDO's investment strategy, the sourcing of the transaction, the relative amounts of capital available for investment (taking into account applicable reserves), the size of the transaction, the amount of potential follow-on investing that may be required for such investment and other portfolio investments and investment restrictions and guidelines.

Certain Clients or CDOs may invest in different parts of the capital structure of the same company or portfolio of companies. For example, one Client or CDO may invest in senior debt securities in which another Client or CDO has a mezzanine or other subordinate interest. The interests of the Clients or CDOs may not always be aligned, which may give rise to actual or potential conflicts of interest, or the appearance of such conflicts of interest. Actions taken for a Client or CDO may adversely impact another Client, which the Adviser aims to address through its conflict policies and the conflict resolution provisions of the documents governing its relationship with its Clients or CDOs.

Trade errors are evaluated on a case-by-case basis. If the Adviser determines that the Adviser's gross negligence, willful misconduct or fraud was the direct cause of a trade error, the Adviser generally will compensate a Client for any losses resulting from such trade error. Broker-dealers

may not be compensated via commissions or Client transactions for absorbing a trading error for which the Adviser is required to compensate a Client under its policy. Where a third party's negligence or wrongdoing causes a trading error that results in a material loss to a Client, the Adviser will attempt to recover the amount of the loss from the third party for the Client, but the Adviser does not assume responsibility for compensating the Client, or making the third party compensate the Client, in such cases.

Item 13 – Review of Accounts

Review of Accounts

All accounts are regularly reviewed by the Adviser's senior investment professionals. Senior investment professionals, with the assistance of other investment professionals, regularly review and discuss portfolio status, performance, and related matters.

Clients receive quarterly and annual (or if requested, more frequent) statements indicating their capital balances and the accounts balance sheet and income statement. These materials are provided with a report highlighting the developments for the period. Other Clients or CDOs receive monthly or quarterly statements regarding their portfolios and activities during the period.

Reports to Clients

Investors in the Clients generally will receive written periodic reports which will include capital balance and applicable Client performance statistics. Investors in the Clients will also receive written annual audited financial statements for the Client in which they are invested. The Adviser makes use of a website, BXAccess, available at www.bxaccess.com, for the distribution of reports and other information to Investors in the Clients.

The Adviser generally will provide information that certain Investors in the Clients may request, including additional information relating to the Clients and/or Portfolio Entities, to the extent such information is readily available or may be obtained without unreasonable effort or expense. Investors that request and receive such information will consequently possess information regarding the business and affairs of the Clients that may not be known to other Investors. As a result, certain Investors can be expected to be able to take actions on the basis of such information which, in the absence of such information, other Investors do not take. Furthermore, at certain times the Adviser may be restricted from disclosing to Investors material non-public information regarding any assets in which a Client invests, particularly those investments in which an Other Blackstone Vehicle or Portfolio Entity that is publicly registered co-invests with a Client. See also “—*Affiliated Investors*” herein.

Item 14 – Client Referrals and Other Compensation

Compensation by Non-Clients

The Adviser and/or its Affiliates may be entitled to receive special servicing fees from the servicing of commercial mortgage loans underlying certain of the Adviser's clients' Investments. The Adviser may obtain such special servicing assignments by exercising special servicing designation decision rights possessed by such clients. These fees are in addition to other fees paid by such clients and the Adviser may in certain circumstances reduce client fees in connection with the receipt of such additional fees.

From time to time, the Adviser may receive transaction fees, including origination, acquisition, disposition, brokerage, investment banking, financing, break-up or similar fees from third party borrowers or property owners which are directly related to the activities of its Clients or CDOs. Depending upon the terms of the Organizational Documents, these fees may be for its account or its Client's account.

Compensation for Client Referrals

Unrelated third-parties may be compensated for assistance in arranging capital commitments from both domestic and foreign sources in its clients. Any such arrangements are conducted pursuant to written agreements. The compensation to be paid to such unrelated parties is negotiated on an individual case basis.

Item 15 – Custody

Private Funds (Other than CDOs)

Generally, neither the Adviser, nor its Affiliates maintain physical possession of the funds or securities of any Fund. Physical custody of the assets of a Fund will generally be maintained with a Qualified Custodian selected by the Adviser in its exclusive discretion, which selection may change from time to time generally without the consent of Investors in the Fund.

In order to comply with the Custody Rule, the Fund undergoes an annual audit performed by an independent accounting firm registered with, and subject to inspection by, the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (PCAOB).

The Custody Rule defines custody as holding client securities or funds or having any authority to obtain possession of them. The Clients generally have an Affiliate of the Adviser acting as General Partner and, as such, the Adviser is deemed to have custody of the Clients' funds. The Adviser generally complies with the Custody Rule by, among other things, providing all Investors in a Client with audited financial statements.

Separate Account

The Adviser does not have custody of the assets of the Separate Account.

CDOs

The Adviser does not have custody of the assets collateralizing the CDOs. These assets are held by the trustee for each respective CDO, which trustees are Qualified Custodians.

Item 16 – Investment Discretion

Subject to any investment restrictions set forth in the documents governing the Adviser's relationship with its clients and except for the Separate Account with respect to the disposition of Investments as described below, the Adviser has discretionary authority to make the following determinations without obtaining the consent of any client before the transactions are effected:

- the Investments that are to be bought or sold;
- the total amount of Investments to be bought or sold;
- the brokers, investment banks or placement agents, if any, through which Investments are to be bought or sold; and
- the acquisition price and associated fees at which Investment transactions for a Client are effected.

The Adviser's discretionary authority is derived from its authority conveyed by the documents governing its relationship with the Clients.

With respect to the Separate Account, the Investor therein has the authority and power to direct the Adviser to sell or liquidate any Investment whereupon the Adviser shall dispose of such investment in accordance with such Investor's direction.

The Adviser also exercises other discretionary authority in connection with ongoing asset management, including loan modifications, of client investments, subject to the documents governing its relationship with its clients.

Item 17 – Voting Client Securities (*i.e.*, Proxy Voting)

Proxy Policy

The Proxy Rule requires registered investment advisers that exercise voting authority over client securities to implement proxy voting policies. Because the Adviser will generally be deemed to have authority to vote Proxies relating to the companies in which its clients invest, the Adviser has adopted the Proxy Voting Policy in compliance with the Proxy Rule. To the extent that the Adviser exercises or is deemed to be exercising voting authority over its clients' securities, the Proxy Voting Policy is reasonably designed and implemented in a manner reasonably expected to ensure that voting with respect to Proxies is exercised in a manner that serves the best interest of its clients, as determined by the Adviser in its sole discretion. Notwithstanding the foregoing, because proxy proposals and individual company facts and circumstances may vary, the Adviser may not always vote Proxies in accordance with the Proxy Voting Policy. In addition, many possible proxy matters are not covered in the Proxy Voting Policy. Generally, the Adviser will vote Proxies (i) in favor of management's recommendation for the election of the board of directors and (ii) to approve the financial statements as presented by management.

From time to time, conflicts can be expected to arise between the interests of the Investor, on the one hand, and the interests of the Adviser or its Affiliates, on the other hand. If a material conflict is identified by the Chief Compliance Officer, Head of Asset Management and/or one or both of the Global Co-Heads, the Blackstone Real Estate Group will determine whether voting in accordance with the Adviser's Proxy Voting Policy is in the best interests of its Clients. The Adviser, in its sole discretion, may elect not to vote a Proxy if unduly burdensome.

Investors may request a copy of the Proxy Voting Policy and the voting records relating to Proxies as provided by the Proxy Rule by contacting the Adviser's Chief Compliance Officer, Scott Mathias, at (212) 583-5000.

Item 18 – Financial Information

The Adviser has not been the subject of a bankruptcy petition at any time during the past ten years and is not aware of any financial condition reasonably likely to impair its ability to meet contractual commitments to its Investors.

Item 19 – Requirements for State Registered Advisers

This item is not applicable as the Adviser is not registered in any state.