HERBALIFE LTD. Form 8-K August 02, 2006

# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of 1	Earliest Event Reported):	August 2, 2006

# Herbalife Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Cayman Islands	1-32381	98-0377871
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employe Identification No
PO Box 309 GT, Ugland House, South Church		0000000
Street, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands		
(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)
Registrant s telephone number, including area	code:	c/o (310) 410-9600
	Not Applicable	
Former name o	r former address, if changed since	e last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

[	Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
[	Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
[	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
Γ	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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#### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 2, 2006, Herbalife Ltd. issued a press release announcing its financial results for its fiscal second quarter ended June 30, 2006. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

The information contained in this Item 2.02 shall not be deemed "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such a filing.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release issued by Herbalife Ltd. on August 2, 2006

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Herbalife Ltd.

August 2, 2006 By: /s/ Brett R. Chapman

Name: Brett R. Chapman Title: General Counsel

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Description

99.1	Press Release iss	ued by Herbalife Ltd. on August 2, 2006
guarantee future results. ** The be deemed a tax return of capital is the total assets of the Fund (in sum of accrued liabilities (other)	distribution is not constant or net realized gain at fist cluding any assets attribute than debt representing find	ne closing market price. Past performance does not at and is subject to change. A portion of the distribution may acal year end. *** As a percentage of managed assets, which table to any borrowing that may be outstanding) minus the ancial leverage). The table below summarizes the changes in
8/31/07 2/28/07 Change High Lo	)W	Market Price
\$6.41 \$7.28 (11.959	%) \$7.44 \$4.75 Net Asset	Value
		ng-term investments: Portfolio Composition Asset Mix
	70% Floating Rate Loan Preferred Stocks	Interests
		* Amount is less than 1%. Credit Quality
		Amount is less than 1%. Credit Quanty
		12 11 B/B
	56 62 CCC/Caa	
		++ NR (Not Rated)
8 8	Other**	4 2
Includes portfolio holdings in co 1%. 4 BLACKROCK DEBT ST 31, 2007 (Unaudited) (in U.S. do	mmon stocks, preferred st RATEGIES FUND, INC. ollars) Face Amount Corpo	** tocks, warrants and other interests. + Amount is less than AUGUST 31, 2007 Schedule of Investments as of August orate Bonds Value
Aerospace & Defense 3.3% U 7,500,000 L-3 Communications Inc., 8% due 7/15/2011 6,954,90	SD 5,000,000 Alliant Tec Corp., 3% due 8/01/2035 0 22,895,525	chsystems, Inc., 3% due 8/15/2024 (a)(m) \$ 7,400,000 (a)(m) 8,540,625 7,170,000 Vought Aircraft Industries,
Components 2.0% 245,000 Co Tire & Rubber Co. (m): 4,500,00 1,020,000 Lear Corp., 8.75% du Venture Holdings Co. LLC: 4,45	ompagnie Generale de Geo 00 9.135% due 12/01/2009 e 12/01/2016 943,500 9,3: 50,000 12% due 6/01/2009	ophysique SA, 7.50% due 5/15/2015 246,225 The Goodyear 9 (b) 4,500,000 2,000 8.625% due 12/01/2011 2,031 50,000 Metaldyne Corp., 11% due 6/15/2012 8,368,250 9 (e) 0 1,800,000 Series B, 9.50% due 7/01/2005 (m) 5,400
		cals, Inc., 9.371% due 12/01/2013 (b) 4,950,000
10.50% due 7/01/2013 1,274,000	) 5,900,000 Goodman Glo 1 Corp., 11% due 4/06/20	0,000 12.13% due 7/01/2012 (b) 3,015,000 1,300,000 obal Holding Co., Inc., 7.875% due 12/15/2012 5,841,000 15 1,850,050 1,050,000 Momentive Performance Materials, 12,956,550
Capital Markets 0.2% 2,000,00	00 Pennant CBO Ltd., 13.	.43% due 3/14/2011 (m) 1,700,000

Chemicals -- 5.9% 1,490,000 American Pacific Corp., 9% due 2/01/2015 1,467,650 3,550,000 ArCo Chemical Co., 9.80% due 2/01/2020 3,692,000 9,783,000 GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc., 13.85% due 12/31/2009 (a)(m) 8,070,975 3,100,000 Hexion U.S. Finance Corp., 10.058% due 11/15/2014 (b) 3,162,000 2,515,000 Ineos Group Holdings Plc, 8.50% due 2/15/2016 (m) 2.313,800 6.360,000 MacDermid, Inc., 9.50% due 4/15/2017 (m) 5,914,800 14,060,000 NOVA Chemicals Corp., 8.484% due 11/15/2013 (b) 13,638,200 2,500,000 PolyOne Corp., 6.89% due 9/22/2008 2,500,000 ----- 40,759,425 Commercial Banks -- 0.2% 1,500,000 Investorp SA, 7.54% due 10/21/2008 1,506,723 Commercial Services & Supplies -- 1.4% 1,090,000 PNA Intermediate Holding Corp., 12.558% due 2/15/2013 (b)(m) 1,049,125 4,280,000 Sally Holdings LLC, 10.50% due 11/15/2016 (m) 4,087,400 3,270,000 West Corp., 11% due 10/15/2016 3,319,050 1,395,000 Yankee Acquisition Corp., 9.75% due 2/15/2017 1,248,525 ------ 9,704,100 \_\_\_\_\_Face Amount Corporate Bonds Value Communications Equipment -- 0.3% USD 983,000 Loral Spacecom Corp., 14% due 11/15/2015 (g) \$ 1,059,183 630,000 Nortel Networks Ltd., 9.61% due 7/15/2011 (b)(m) 631,575 ----- 1,690,758 \_\_\_\_\_ Computers & Peripherals -- 0.4% 2,700,000 Viasystems, Inc., 10.50% due 1/15/2011 2,700,000 \_\_\_\_\_ Construction Materials -- 0.7% 5,850,000 Nortek, Inc., 8.50% due 9/01/2014 5,060,250 \_\_\_\_\_ Containers & Packaging -- 2.7% Berry Plastics Holding Corp.: 665,000 8.875% due 9/15/2014 663,338 375,000 9.569% due 9/15/2014 (b) 371,250 1,100,000 Graham Packing Co., Inc., 9.875% due 10/15/2014 1,078,000 705,000 Graphic Packaging International Corp., 9.50% due 8/15/2013 712,050 6,215,000 Packaging Dynamics Finance Corp., 10% due 5/01/2016 (m) 6,222,769 Smurfit-Stone Container Enterprises, Inc.: 1,600,000 8.375% due 7/01/2012 1,568,000 2,600,000 8% due 3/15/2017 2,479,750 6,325,000 Wise Metals Group LLC, 10.25% due 5/15/2012 5,692,500 ----- 18,787,657 Distributors -- 0.3% 2,000,000 Buhrmann US, Inc., 7.875% due 3/01/2015 1,840,000 Diversified Consumer Services -- 0.5% 3,875,000 NBC Acquisition Corp., 11% due 3/15/2013 (i) 3,448,750 Diversified Financial Services -- 1.2% 5,743,690 Archimedes Funding III Ltd., 5.50% due 11/29/2011 (b)(m) 2,871,836 Ford Motor Credit Co. LLC: 760,000 5.80% due 1/12/2009 716,127 4,480,000 8.11% due 1/13/2012 (b) 4,102,824 750,000 9.81% due 4/15/2012 (b) 755,516 ------ 8,446,303 \_\_\_\_\_ Diversified Telecommunication Services -- 1.3% 2,675,000 Qwest Corp., 8.944% due 6/15/2013 (b) 2,822,125 6,000,000 Time Warner Telecom Holdings, Inc., 9.25% due 2/15/2014 6,210,000 ------ 9,032,125 \_\_\_\_\_ Electric Utilities -- 0.8% 5,380,000 NSG Holdings LLC, 7.75% due 12/15/2025 (1)(m) 5,225,325 Electronic Equipment & Instruments -- 1.4% 2,675,000 Muzak Holdings, LLC, 13% due 3/15/2010 (i) 2,113,250 NXP BV: 5,520,000 8.11% due 10/15/2013 (b) 5,002,500 2,300,000 9.50% due 10/15/2015 1,989,500 375,000 Sanmina-SCI Corp., 8.125% due 3/01/2016 324,375 ----- 9,429,625 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Energy Equipment & Services -- 2.1% 670,000 Compagnie Generale de Geophysique-Veritas, 7.75% due 5/15/2017 676,700 8,000,000 Ocean RIG ASA, 9.36% due 4/04/2011 (b) 7,900,000 6,300,000 SemGroup LP, 8.75% due 11/15/2015 (m) 6,063,750 ----- 14,640.450

BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 5 Schedule of Investments (continued) (in U.S. dollars) Face Amount Corporate Bonds Value
& Staples Retailing 0.4% USD 2,900,000 Rite Aid Corp., 9.375% due 12/15/2015 (m) \$ 2,639,000
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Example 2017/2015 (m) 3,970 Care Providers & Services 2.4% 3,975,000 Community Health Systems, Inc., 8.875% due 7/15/2015 (m) 3,970 Tenet Healthcare Corp.: 2,990,000 6.50% due 6/01/2012 2,481,700 6,000,000 7.375% due 2/01/2013 4,980,000 Universal Hospital Services, Inc. (m): 1,000,000 8.50% due 6/01/2015 (g) 927,826 930,000 8.759% due 6/01/2018 897,450 4,100,000 Vanguard Health Holding Co. I, LLC, 11.25% due 10/01/2015 (i) 2,972,500
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 6.0% 1,250,000 Galaxy Entertainment Finance Co. Ltd., 9.875% due 12/15/2012 1,268,750 HRP Myrtle Beach (m): 5,976,698 Holdings LLC, 14.50% due 4/01/2014 (g) 5,767,514 5,000,000 Operations LLC, 10.07% due 4/01/2012 (b) 4,750,000 5,000,000 Operations LLC, 12.50% due 4/01/2013 4,900,02,560,000 Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians, 10.25% due 2/15/2014 (m) 2,572,800 915,000 Penn National Gaming, Inc., 6.75% due 3/01/2015 917,288 2,700,000 Pinnacle Entertainment, Inc., 7.50% due 6/15/2015 (m) 2,484,000 1,370,000 Shingle Springs Tribal Gaming Authority, 9.375% due 6/15/2015 (m) 1,349,450 1,015,000 Snoqualmie Entertainment Authority, 9.063% due 2/01/2014 (b)(m) 990,894 3,400,000 Station Casinos, Inc., 7.75 due 8/15/2016 3,255,500 2,600,000 Travelport LLC, 10.246% due 9/01/2014 (b) 2,600,000 3,265,000 Tropicana Entertainment, LLC, 9.625% due 12/15/2014 (m) 2,416,100 3,000,000 Tunica-Biloxi Gaming Authority, 9% due 11/15/2015 (m) 3,000,000 5,300,000 Universal City Florida Holding Co. I, 10.106% due 5/01/2010 (b) 5,353,000
Household Durables 0.6% 175,000 Fedders North America, Inc., 9.875% due 3/01/2014 28,000 2,610,000 Jard Corp., 7.50% due 5/01/2017 2,440,350 2,250,000 Stanley-Martin Communities LLC, 9.75% due 8/15/2015 1,676
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Insurance 0.2% 1,630,000 USI Holdings Corp., 9.433% due 11/15/2014 (b)(m) 1,515,900
Leisure Equipment & Products 0.2% 2,000,000 True Temper Sports, Inc., 8.375% due 9/15/2011 1,560,000
Amount Corporate Bonds Value
Machinery 1.7% USD 3,070,000 Esco Corp., 9.235% due 12/15/2013 (b)(m) \$ 3,008,600 3,815,000 Invensys P 9.875% due 3/15/2011 (m) 4,053,438 RBS Global, Inc.: 1,480,000 9.50% due 8/01/2014 1,494,800 1,685,000 8.8 due 9/01/2016 1,647,088 1,530,000 Titan International, Inc., 8% due 1/15/2012 1,507,968
Marine 0.5% 1,500,000 Navios Maritime Holdings, Inc., 9.50% due 12/15/2014 (m) 1,531,875 1,760,000 Titan Petrochemicals Group Ltd., 8.50% due 3/18/2012 (m) 1,548,800 3,080,675
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3/30/2023 (a) 4,666,406 3,875,000 Mediacom LLC, 9.50% due 1/15/2013 3,875,000 750,000 NTL Cable Plc, 8.75% due 4/15/2014 759,375 580,000 Network Communications, Inc., 10.75% due 12/01/2013 580,000 4,325,000 Nielsen Finance LLC, 10% due 8/01/2014 4,433,125 2,800,000 Paxson Communications Corp., 8.61% due 1/15/2012 (b)(m) 2,761,500 3,235,000 Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc. Class A, 4.875% due 7/15/2018 (a)(i) 3,000,463 5,795,000 Sirius Satellite Radio, Inc., 9.625% due 8/01/2013 5,476,275 5,230,000 TL Acquisitions, Inc., 10.50% due 1/15/2015 (m) 4,929,275 3,485,000 Umbrella Acquisition, 9.75% due 3/15/2015 (g)(m) 3,319,463 2,800,000 XM Satellite Radio, Inc., 9.856% due 5/01/2013 (b) 2,604,000 2,685,000 Young Broadcasting, Inc., 10% due 3/01/2011 2,416,500 ----- 79,845,463 & Mining -- 3.5% 2,735,000 Aleris International, Inc., 9% due 12/15/2014 (g) 2,550,513 4,000,000 Compass Minerals International, Inc. Series B, 12% due 6/01/2013 (i) 4,020,000 10,360,000 Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold, Inc., 8.564% due 4/01/2015 (b) 10,670,800 2,854,000 Indalex Holding Corp. Series B, 11.50% due 2/01/2014 2,675,625 4,550,000 RathGibson, Inc., 11.25% due 2/15/2014 4,555,688 ------ 24,472,626 BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 Schedule of Investments (continued) (in U.S. dollars) Face Amount Corporate Bonds Value Multi-Utilities -- 0.9% USD 4,142,000 CenterPoint Energy, Inc. Series B, 3.75% due 5/15/2023 (a) \$ 6,052,498 Gas & Consumable Fuels -- 1.0% 480,000 Berry Petroleum Co., 8.25% due 11/01/2016 472,800 3,000,000 Chaparral Energy, Inc., 8.50% due 12/01/2015 2,685,000 2,445,000 Compton Petroleum Finance Corp., 7.625% due 12/01/2013 2,322,750 1,425,000 Williams Cos., Inc., 8.625% due 6/01/2010 1,486,460 ------ 6,967,010 & Forest Products -- 9.3% 6,500,000 Abitibi-Consolidated, Inc., 9.194% due 6/15/2011 (b) 5,590,000 Ainsworth Lumber Co. Ltd. (b): 9,725,000 9.11% due 10/01/2010 7,488,250 8,000,000 9.36% due 4/01/2013 6,080,000 Boise Cascade LLC: 2,150,000 8.235% due 10/15/2012 (b) 2,128,500 900,000 7.125% due 10/15/2014 828,000 7,600,000 Bowater, Inc., 8.694% due 3/15/2010 (b) 6.840,087 3,775,000 Domtar, Inc., 7.125% due 8/15/2015 3,510,750 NewPage Corp.: 8,000,000 11.606% due 5/01/2012 (b) 8,480,000 4,725,000 12% due 5/01/2013 4,937,625 13,625,000 Smurfit Kappa Funding Plc, 7.75% due 4/01/2015 13,148,125 Verso Paper Holdings LLC Series B: 4,400,000 9.106% due 8/01/2014 (b) 4,378,000 530,000 11.375% due 8/01/2016 540,600 ------ 63,949,937 \_\_\_\_\_ Pharmaceuticals -- 1.2% Elan Finance Plc: 3,525,000 7.75% due 11/15/2011 3,436,875 4,825,000 9.558% due 11/15/2011 (b) 4,728,500 ----- 8,165,375 Estate Investment Trusts (REITs) -- 0.3% 3,500,000 RAIT Financial Trust, 6.875% due 4/15/2027 (a)(m) 2,209,375 Estate Management & Development -- 2.3% Realogy Corp. (m): 4,770,000 10.50% due 4/15/2014 4,018,725 7,540,000 11% due 4/15/2014 (g) 6,107,400 7,410,000 12.375% due 4/15/2015 5,455,613 ------ 15,581,738 & Rail -- 0.8% 1,250,000 Atlantic Express Transportation Corp., 12.609% due 4/15/2012 (b)(g)(m) 1,212,500 790,000 Britannia Bulk Plc, 11% due 12/01/2011 782,100 5,060,000 St. Acquisition Corp., 13.107% due 5/15/2015 (b)(m) 3,516,700 ----- 5,511,300 Amount Corporate Bonds Value Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment -- 3.2% Amkor Technology, Inc.: USD 3,000,000 7.125% due 3/15/2011 \$ 2,820,000 210,000 7.75% due 5/15/2013 194,775 2,645,000 9.25% due 6/01/2016 2,565,650 Freescale Semiconductor, Inc.: 8,990,000 9.125% due 12/15/2014 (g) 8,046,050 5,470,000 9.569% due 12/15/2014 (b) 5,032,400 3,370,000 Spansion, Inc., 8.746% due 6/01/2013 (b)(m) 3,201,500 ----- 21,860,375 Software -- 0.3% 2,416,832 BMS Holdings, Inc., 12.40% due 2/15/2012 (b)(g)(m) 2,113,534

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BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 7 Schedule of Investments (continued) (in U.S. dollars) Face Amount Floating Rate Loan Interests\*\* Value

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Aerospace & Defense -- 0.2% Hawker Beechcraft: USD 39,007 Letter of Credit, 5.26% due 3/31/2014 \$ 37,057 459,840 Term Loan B, 7.36% - 7.508% due 3/31/2014 436,848 1,145,200 IAP Worldwide Services Inc. Term Loan, 11.687% due 12/31/2012 983,727 ----------------- 1,457,632

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Airlines -- 0.7% 1,890,000 Delta Airlines First Lien Term Loan, 7.36% due 5/15/2012 1,794,319 1,492,500 United Air Lines, Inc. Term Loan B, 7.625% due 1/30/2014 1,399,529 2,000,000 US Airways Group, Inc. Term Loan B, 7.86% due 3/22/2014 1,878,750 ------ 5,072,598

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Beverages -- 0.4% Culligan International: 1,500,000 Second Lien Term Loan, 7.815% due 10/24/2012 1,736,868 1,000,000 Term Loan B, 7.61% - 7.815% due 10/24/2012 910,000 ------ 2,646,868

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Amount Floating Rate Loan Interests\*\* Value

Commercial Services & Supplies -- 5.7% Aramark Corp.: USD 533,316 Letter of Credit, 5.36% due 1/30/2014 \$ 513,183 7,580,509 Term Loan B, 7.36% due 1/30/2014 7,294,345 Euramax International Plc: 2,538,314 First Lien Term Loan, 8.375% due 6/29/2012 2,346,672 6,000,000 Second Lien Term Loan, 13.36% due 6/29/2013 5,340,000

1,500,000 Jason, Inc. Term Loan B, 8.03% - 9.50% due 4/30/2010 1,425,000 1,410,788 John Maneely Co. Term Loan B, 8.61% due 12/15/2013 1,262,067 3,019,996 NES Rentals Holdings, Inc. Term Loan C, 12.125% due 7/12/2013 2,957,081 RiskMetrics Group, Inc.: 250,000 Second Lien Term Loan, 10.86% due 6/15/2014 242,813 748,125 Term Loan, 7.61% due 1/15/2014 727,552 8,670,000 Service Master Bridge Loan, 9.86% due 6/19/2008 7,542,900 7,000,359 Waste Services, Inc. Term Loan D, 7.82% due 3/31/2011 6,790,348 2,970,112 West Corp. Term Loan, 7.735% - 7.88% due 10/31/2013 2,864,920 ----- 39,306,881 \_\_\_\_\_ Communications Equipment -- 0.1% 1,000,000 SafeNet, Inc. First Lien Term Loan, 7.86% due 5/11/2015 930,000 \_\_\_\_\_ Computers & Peripherals -- 0.4% Intergraph Corp. Term Loan: 430,893 7.503% due 5/15/2014 412,041 1,000,000 11.506% due 11/15/2014 956,250 1,500,000 Reynolds and Reynolds Co. Third Lien Term Loan, 12.86% due 10/31/2014 1,462,500 ----- 2,830,791 \_\_\_\_\_ Construction Materials -- 0.3% 2,453,125 Headwaters, Inc. Term Loan B-1, 7.36% due 4/30/2011 2,391,797 \_\_\_\_\_ Containers & Packaging -- 1.6% 2,239,574 Anchor Glass Container Corp. Term Loan B, 7.61% - 7.791% due 5/03/2013 2,172,387 8,590,000 Berry Plastics Corp. Term Loan B, 11.61% due 6/15/2014 7,387,400 750,000 Consolidated Container Second Lien Term Loan, 10.86% - 11.065% due 10/15/2014 675,000 495,000 Graham Packaging Term Loan B, 7.625% due 4/15/2011 480,975 ------ 10,715,762 Distributors -- 0.2% 1,741,250 Keystone Automotive Operations, Inc. Term Loan B, 8.828% - 9% due 1/15/2012 1,588,891 <u>\_\_\_\_8</u> BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 Schedule of Investments (continued) (in U.S. dollars) Face Amount Floating Rate Loan Interests\*\* Value Diversified Financial Services -- 0.5% USD 4,000,000 JG Wentworth Manufacturing Term Loan B, 7.61% due 4/15/2014 \$ 3,710,000 Diversified Telecommunication Services -- 0.9% 995,000 Kentucky Data Link, Inc. Term Loan B, 7.815% due 2/26/2014 957,688 258,716 Transaction Network Services Term Loan B, 7.541% due 5/15/2014 250,954 3,161,871 Winstar Communications Debtor In Possession, 6.366% due 12/31/2006 (n) 5.051,089 ------ 6,259,731 \_\_\_\_\_ Electrical Equipment -- 0.4% 4,000,000 Generac Portable Products, Inc. Second Lien Term Loan, 11.36% due 5/15/2014 2,663,332 Electronic Equipment & Instruments -- 0.2% 1,500,000 CoCreate Software, Inc. Second Lien Term Loan, 12.608% due 5/30/2014 1,440,000 \_\_\_\_\_ Energy Equipment & Services -- 0.9% Dresser, Inc.: 3,000,000 First Lien Term Loan, 8.01% - 8,038% due 5/15/2014 2,881,875 2,500,000 Second Lien Term Loan, 11.129% due 5/04/2015 2,362,500 1,234,375 MEG Energy Corp. Term Loan B, 7.36% due 4/03/2013 1,191,172 ----- 6,435,547 & Staples Retailing -- 1.3% 1,000,000 Bolthouse Farms, Inc. Second Lien Term Loan, 10.86% due 12/01/2013 967,500 1,000,000 DS Waters LP Term Loan B, 7.61% - 7.753% due 3/31/2012 940,000 Dole Food Co., Inc.: 323,981 Letter of Credit, 5.23% due 4/12/2013 304,542 719,846 Term Loan B, 7.438% - 9.25% due 4/12/2013 676,655 2,399,487 Term Loan C, 7.438% - 9.25% due 4/04/2013 2,255,517 969,217 Eight O'Clock Coffee Second Lien Term Loan, 8.125% due 7/21/2012 920,756 497,500 McJunkin Corp. Term Loan B, 7.815% due 1/30/2014 483,197 Sturm Foods, Inc.: 997,500 First Lien Term Loan,7.875% - 7.938% due 1/30/2014 927,675 1,250,000 Second Lien Term Loan, 11.438% due 6/30/2014 1,165,625 ------ 8,641,467 

Products -- 0.3% 1,937,500 Jetro Holdings, Inc. Term Loan, 7.82% due 5/11/2014 1,860,000 Care Providers & Services -- 0.5% 488,011 CCS Medical First Lien Term Loan, 8.82% due 10/31/2012 471,541 3,147,392 Rotech Healthcare, Inc. Term Loan B, 11.36% due 9/26/2011 2,706,757 ----- 3,178,298 Amount Floating Rate Loan Interests\*\* Value Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure -- 2.8% USD 1,500,000 Golden Nugget, Inc. Term Loan Second Lien, 8.84% due 11/30/2014 \$ 1,402,500 Green Valley Ranch Gaming LLC Term Loan: 480,568 7.36% - 7.565% due 2/16/2014 456,540 750,000 8.791% due 8/30/2014 705,000 3,200,000 Las Vegas Sands Term Loan B, 7.11% due 5/04/2014 3,036,400 OSI Restaurant Partners, Inc.: 75,188 Revolving Credit, 5.18% due 6/14/2013 71,170 924,812 Term Loan B, 7.625% due 5/15/2014 875,393 6,000,000 OCE LLC Second Lien Term Loan, 11.11% due 11/05/2013 5,715,000 1,031,315 Tropicana Opco Term Loan B, 7.61% due 12/15/2011 979,381 Venetian Macau US Finance Co. LLC: 2,500,000 Delay Draw Term Loan, 7.61% - 7.76% due 5/25/2012 2,414,285 3,500,000 Term Loan B, 7.61% due 5/25/2013 3,379,999 ----- 19,035,668 Household Durables -- 0.4% 3,000,000 American Residential Services Second Lien Term Loan, 12% due 4/17/2015 2,970,000 Household Products -- 0.8% Spectrum Brands, Inc.: 281,917 Letter of Credit, 5.17% due 4/15/2013 273,225 4,203,182 Term Loan B-1, 9.34% - 9.53% due 4/15/2013 4,073,585 1,014,901 Term Loan B-2, 9.565% due 4/15/2013 954,007 ----- 5,300,817 Services -- 0.9% 3,686,354 Activant Solutions Term Loan B, 7.375% due 5/02/2013 3,437,525 1,000,000 Audio Visual Services Corp. Second Lien Term Loan, 10.86% due 2/28/2014 950,000 894,231 RedPrairie Corp. Term Loan, 8.50% - 10.25% due 7/31/2012 1,145,021 950,000 Verifone, Inc. Term Loan B, 7.09% - 7.11% due 10/31/2013 912,000 ----- 6,444,546 \_\_\_\_\_ Insurance -- 0.1% 1,000,000 USI Holdings Corp., Term Loan B, 7.95% due 5/15/2014 935,000 Machinery -- 1.7% 997,500 Harrington Holdings, Inc. Term Loan, 7.61% due 1/15/2014 947,625 1,000,000 Maxim Crane Term Loan B, 7.32% due 6/14/2014 920,000 Navistar International Transportation Corp.: 1,866,667 Revolving Credit, 5.17% - 8.61% due 1/19/2012 1,792,000 5,133,333 Term Loan, 8.61% due 1/19/2012 4,928,000 1,990,000 OshKosh Truck Corp. Term Loan B, 7.11% due 11/30/2013 1,908,535 1,093,086 Rexnord Corp. Term Loan, 11.61% due 3/02/2013 (g) 1,032,966 ----- 11,529,126 BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 9 Schedule of Investments (continued) (in U.S. dollars) Face Amount Floating Rate Loan Interests\*\* Value -- 8.9% USD 4,000,000 Affinion Group, Inc. Term Loan, 11.678% due 3/01/2012 \$ 3,693,332 9,055,466 Cequel Communications LLC Second Lien Term Loan, 9.856% due 3/31/2015 8,738,525 1,593,818 Cequel Communications LLC Term Loan B, 7.36% - 7.505% due 4/04/2013 1,503,060 13,500,000 Charter Communications, Inc. Term Loan B, 7.361% due 4/30/2014 12,751,479 973,460 ClientLogic Holding Corp. Term Loan B, 7.86% - 8.065% due 1/30/2014 934,522 3,808,979 Easton-Bell Sports Inc. Term Loan B, 11.36% due 5/01/2012 3,630,433 6,500,000 Ellis Communications Term Loan, 10% due 1/15/2008 6,305,000 GateHouse Media, Inc.: 591,667 Delay Draw Term Loan, 7.36% - 7.51% due 9/15/2014 535,458 2,000,000 Term Loan B, 7.51% due 9/15/2014 1,810,000 Insight Midwest Holdings LLC: 6,750,000 Delay Draw Term Loan, 7.11% due 4/03/2014 6,559,103 1,250,000 Term Loan B, 7.36% due 4/06/2014 1,214,649 1,000,000 Local TV LLC Term Loan, 7.31% due 5/15/2013 940,000 485,000 Multicultural

Radio Broadcasting Inc. Term Loan, 8.288% due 12/15/2012 470,450 997,498 NEP Supershooters, LP Term Loan B, 7.61% due 2/13/2014 949,286 992,500 Nielsen Finance LLC Term Loan B, 7.36% due 8/15/2013 953,076 1,000,000 Penton Media Term Loan, 10.36% due 2/15/2014 937,500 1,500,000 Persona Communications Second Lien Term

Loan, 11.565% due 4/30/2014 1,500,000 ProSiebenSat. 1 Media AG Term Loan B: EUR 500,000 6.796% due 6/30/2015 620,675 1,000,000 7.039% due 6/30/2016 1,222,194 Riverdeep Group Ltd.: USD 963,550 Bridge Loan, 11.55% due 12/21/2007 958,732 997,494 Term Loan B, 8.11% due 12/21/2013 976,048 4,697,987 Univision Communications, Inc. Delay Draw Term Loan, 7.61% due 9/30/2014 4,337,806
Multi-Utilities 0.6% Brand Energy Term Loan B: 498,750 7.625% - 7.813% due 2/15/2014 472,981 500,000 11.375% - 11.563% due 2/15/2015 484,167 Coleto Creek: 464,633 Letter of Credit, 8.11% due 7/31/2013 446,048 31,847 Term Loan B, 5.26% due 7/31/2013 30,573 750,000 Energy Transfer Equity LP Term Loan B, 7.106% due 11/01/2012 726,563 750,000 NE Energy Second Lien Term Loan, 9.875% due 10/31/2014 723,750 1,000,000 USPF Holdings Term Loan, 7.082% - 7.09% due 4/15/2014 950,000 3,834,082 ====================================
Gas & Consumable Fuels 3.1% 787,500 Big West Oil & Gas Term Loan B, 7.61% due 5/15/2014 744,188 373,106 Carrizo Oil & Gas, Inc. Second Lien Term Loan, 10.11% due 7/21/2010 367,509 6,400,000 Frontier Drilling Term Loan B, 9.18% due 6/21/2013 6,272,000 Face Amount Floating Rate Loan Interests** Value ====================================
Gas & Consumable Fuels (concluded) USD 2,000,000 Petroleum Geo-Services ASA Term Loan B, 7.11% due 6/30/2015 \$ 1,931,666 2,000,000 SandRidge Energy, Inc. Term Loan B, 8.985% due 3/01/2014 1,975,000 8,000,000 Scorpion Drilling Ltd. Second Lien Term Loan, 12.86% due 5/05/2015 8,520,000 Western Refining Co. L.P.: 187,500 Delay Draw Term Loan, 7.07% due 3/15/2014 178,125 1,205,357 Term Loan B, 7.07% due 3/15/2014 1,145,089
& Forest Products 1.0% 6,695,000 Verso Paper Holdings LLC Term Loan B, 11.606% due 2/01/2013 6,661,525
Pharmaceuticals 0.4% 3,000,000 Pharmaceutical Technologies & Services (PTS) Term Loan, 7.61% due 4/15/2014 2,737,500
Estate Management & Development 0.6% 4,000,000 Enclave First Lien Term Loan, 6.14% due 3/01/2012 3,788,280 445,174 Yellowstone Club Term Loan B, 7.883% due 10/15/2010 426,625 4,214,905 ====================================
& Rail 0.6% 4,418,605 Swift Transportation Co., Inc. Term Loan B, 8.375% due 5/15/2014 3,905,861
Software 1.1% 8,000,000 Aspect Software Second Lien Term Loan, 12.438% due 7/11/2010 7,520,000
Specialty Retail 0.9% 2,000,000 ADESA, Inc. Term Loan B, 7.61% due 10/30/2013 1,871,250 1,500,000 Burlington Coat Factory Warehouse Corp. Term Loan B, 7.76% due 4/15/2013 1,404,107 3,500,000 Claire's Stores Term Loan B, 8.11% due 5/24/2014 3,203,960
Textiles, Apparel & Luxury Goods 0.3% 997,500 David's Bridal, Inc. Term Loan B, 7.36% due 1/30/2014 927,675 300,000 Gold Toe Investment Corp. Second Lien Term Loan, 11.36% due 4/30/2014 291,000 745,733 Renfro Corp. Term Loan B, 8.61% - 8.76% due 9/30/2013 719,631
Wireless Telecommunication Services 1.0% 4,750,000 Centennial Cellular Operating Co. Term Loan, 7.36% - 7.541% due 2/09/2011 4,609,875 2,000,000 IPC Systems First Lien Term Loan, 7.61% due 5/25/2014 1,776,663 609,626 NG Wireless Term Loan, 10% due 7/31/2014 597,433
Total Floating Rate Loan Interests (Cost \$311,584,203) 43.3% 298,727,029
BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 Schedule of Investments (continued) (in U.S. dollars) Shares Held Common Stocks Value
Airlines 0.5% 221,600 Delta Air Lines, Inc. (d) \$ 3,740,608

Components 0.0% 403 GenTek Inc. (d) 12,392
Chemicals 0.1% 339,340 GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. (d) 339,340
Commercial Services & Supplies 0.4% 90,876 Outsourcing Solutions Inc. (d) 2,544,521
Communications Equipment 0.9% 150,354 Loral Space & Communications Ltd. (d) 6,026,188
Containers & Packaging 0.2% 1,428,423 Viskase Cos., Inc. (d) 1,685,539
Diversified Financial Services 0.2% 35,000 Preferred Term Securities VI, Ltd. 1,505,000
Electrical Equipment 0.4% 286,757 Medis Technologies Ltd. (d) 3,025,287
Hotels, Restaurants & Leisure 0.1% 5,000 HRP PIK Corp. Class B (m) 50 27,787 Lodgian, Inc. (d) 339,835
**Mining 0.1% 144,858 Neenah Enterprises, Inc. (d) 905,364 41,149 Acme Package Corp. Senior Holdings (1,234 906,598
& Forest Products 0.2% 36,342 Smurfit Kappa Plc (d) 795,575 211,149 Western Forest Products, Inc. Restric Shares (d) 453,890 1,249,465
Semiconductors & Semiconductor Equipment 0.2% 55,172 Cypress Semiconductor Corp. (d) 1,381,507
Preferred Stocks
Communications Equipment 0.3% 10,732 Loral Spacecom Corp. Series A, 12% (g) 2,189,334
Gas & Consumable Fuels 1.5% 179 EXCO Resources, Inc., 7% (a) 2,040,600 737 EXCO Resources, Inc., 119 8,401,800 10,442,400 Total Prefe Stocks (Cost \$11,284,952) 1.8% 12,631,734
Held Warrants (h) Value
Components 0.0% 471 GenTek Inc. Tranche B (expires 11/10/2008) \$ 17,427 231 GenTek Inc. Tranche C (expires 11/10/2010) 7,392 24,819
Components 0.0% 471 GenTek Inc. Tranche B (expires 11/10/2008) \$ 17,427 231 GenTek Inc. Tranche C (expires 11/10/2010) 7,392
Components 0.0% 471 GenTek Inc. Tranche B (expires 11/10/2008) \$ 17,427 231 GenTek Inc. Tranche C (expires 11/10/2010) 7,392
Components 0.0% 471 GenTek Inc. Tranche B (expires 11/10/2008) \$ 17,427 231 GenTek Inc. Tranche C (expires 11/10/2010) 7,392

Beneficial Interest Other Interests (f)
Airlines 0.1% USD 5,505,000 Delta Air Default, 8.33% Escrow 302,775 4,200,000 Delta Air Default, 10% Escrow 220,500 523,275
Components 0.0% 3,614,601 Cambridge Industries, Inc. (Litigation Trust Certificates) 0
0.0% Adelphia C.V.U.: 7,500,000 Escrow 750 5,000 Preferred Escrow 0 9,406,019 Recovery Trust 941 500,000 Adelphia Recovery Trust Series ACC-6B INT 0 1,691
& Forest Products 0.0% 18 Cellu Tissue Holdings, Inc. (Escrow Shares) 0
Total Other Interests (Cost \$30,749) 0.1% 524,966
Short-Term Securities
1,880,140 BlackRock Liquidity Series, LLC Cash Sweep Series, 5.33% (c)(j) 1,880,140 Total Short-Term Investments (Cost \$1,880,140)
0.3% 1,880,140
Investments (Cost \$958,373,599*) 131.6% 907,988,420 Liabilities in Excess of Other Assets (31.6%) (218,136,266)

Forward foreign exchange contracts of August 31, 2007 were as follows:
Foreign Settlement Unrealized Currency Sold Date Appreciation EUR 3,000,000 October 2007 \$ 36,284
Unrealized Appreciation on Forward Foreign Exchange Contracts (USD Commitment \$4,131,197) \$ 36,284 ====================================
Assets  Investments in unaffiliated securities, at value (identified cost \$956,493,459) \$ 906,108,280 Investments in affiliated securities, at value (identified cost \$1,880,140) 1,880,140 Cash
Liabilities
Dividends to shareholders
affiliates

Net Assets	NT .
Assets	
Capital	0 per share, 200,000,000 shares authorized (106,629,991 shares issued and outstanding)\$ 10,662,999 Paid-in capital in excess of par
Investment Income	Interest
(including \$227,539 from aff	lliates)
Expenses	Loan
interest expense	\$ 8,696,741 Investment advisory fees
206,396 Accounting services	
31,518 Printing and sharehold Directors' fees and expenses Total expenses net	See Teports
Realized & Unrealized Gain (	======================================
gain (loss) on: Investments  Investments net	net

Operations

	\$ 35,955,289 \$ 71,630,035 Realized gain (loss)
net	2,568,948 (6,186,913) Change in unrealized appreciation/depreciation net
from operations	
Dividends to Shareholders	
Dividends to shareholders from investment	income net (33,878,178) (69,729,202)
Stock Transactions	
shares issued to Common Stock shareholder Net increase in net a 3,970,321	assets resulting from stock transactions 1,593,204 3,970,321 assets resulting from stock transactions
Net Assets	
increase (decrease) in net assets	Total
Undistributed investment income net	\$ 8,971,210 \$ 6,894,099
FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 15 Statem (Unaudited)	e Notes to Financial Statements. BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES nent of Cash Flows For the Six Months Ended August 31, 2007
Cash Provided by Operating Activities	Net
decrease in net assets resulting from operative reconcile net decrease in net assets resulting other receivables and prepaid expenses	ions
Cash Used for Financing Activities	
receipts from borrowings	
Cash Net increase in cash	1,373,855 Cash at beginning of period 269,338 Cash at end of period

\$		
Cash Flow Information		a <b>h</b>
paid for interest	\$ 8,496,992 ========	
Non-Cash Financing Activities	Va	lue of
capital shares issued in reinvestment of dividends to s See Notes to Financial Statements. 16 BLACKROCK Financial Highlights For the Six Months Ended For the ratios have August 31, February 28, Year Ended Year	shareholders	=== 1 and 7
Per Share Operating Performance	Ne	at accet
value, beginning of period\$ 7.01 \$ 6	5.69 \$ 7.06 \$ 6.71 \$ 5.35 \$ 6.03	
.75 .79 Realized and unrealized gain (loss) net		
1.01 2.15 .11income net (.32) (.64) (.65) (.66) (.79)	Total from investment operations (.22) .96 Less dividends from investment (.79) Recovery of previously expensed offering cos	
(capital write-off) resulting from the issuance of Com		
6.69 \$ 7.06 \$ 6.71 \$ 5.35		)1 \$
Market price per share, end of period		
Total Investment Return**	Ba	
on net asset value per share (3.29%)+++ 15.35% 4.5	57% 15.95% 41.84% 2.04%	
on market price per share (7.74%)+++ 18.37% 11	1.34% 10.53% 26.31% 4.85%	Based
Ratios to Average Net Assets	:======================================	:======
Expenses, excluding interest expense	99%* .99% 1.02% 1.02% 1.00% 1.07%	
Expenses 3.30%* 3.16% 2.63% 1.8		
Investment income net 9.56%* 9.97% 9.55		
Leverage		
	An 5 242,000 \$298,600 \$259,900 \$298,400 \$ 269,075 \$ 245,900	
Average amount of borrowings outstanding during the	te period (in thousands) \$ 302,039 \$283,906	

\$294,371 \$304,549 \$ 239,315 \$ 238,863

Annualized. \*\* Total investment returns based on market value, which can be significantly greater or lesser than the net asset value, may result in substantially different returns. Total investment returns exclude the effects of sales charges. \*\*\* Based on average shares outstanding. + Amount is less than \$.01 per share. +++ Aggregate total investment return. See Notes to Financial Statements. BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 17 Notes to Financial Statements (Unaudited) 1. Significant Accounting Policies: BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc. (the "Fund") is registered under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended, as a diversified, closed-end management investment company. The Fund's financial statements are prepared in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, which may require the use of management accruals and estimates. Actual results may differ from these estimates. These unaudited financial statements reflect all adjustments, which are, in the opinion of management, necessary to present a fair statement of the results for the interim period. All such adjustments are of a normal, recurring nature. The Fund determines and makes available for publication the net asset value of its Common Stock on a daily basis. The Fund's Common Stock shares are listed on the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") under the symbol DSU. (a) Corporate debt obligations -- The Fund invests principally in debt obligations of companies, including floating rate loans made by banks and other financial institutions and both privately and publicly offered corporate bonds and notes. The Fund's investments in loan participation interests involve the risk of insolvency of the financial intermediaries who are parties to the transactions. (b) Valuation of investments -- Floating rate loans are valued in accordance with guidelines established by the Fund's Board of Directors. Floating rate loan interests are valued at the mean between the last available bid prices from one or more brokers or dealers as obtained from Loan Pricing Corporation. For the limited number of floating rate loans for which no reliable price quotes are available, such floating rate loans will be valued by Loan Pricing Corporation through the use of pricing matrixes to determine valuations. If the pricing service does not provide a value for floating rate loans, BlackRock Advisors, LLC (the "Manager"), an indirect, wholly owned subsidiary of BlackRock, Inc., will value the floating rate loans at fair value, which is intended to approximate market value. Debt securities are traded primarily in the over-the-counter ("OTC") market and are valued at the last available bid price in the OTC market or on the basis of values obtained by a pricing service. Pricing services use valuation matrixes that incorporate both dealer-supplied valuations and valuation models. The procedures of the pricing service and its valuations are reviewed by the officers of the Fund under the general direction of the Board of Directors. Such valuations and procedures will be reviewed periodically by the Board of Directors of the Fund. Securities held by the Fund that are traded on stock exchanges or the NASDAQ Global Market are valued at the last sale price or official close price on the exchange on which such securities are traded, as of the close of business on the day the securities are being valued or, lacking any sales, at the last available bid price for long positions, and at the last available asked price for short positions. In cases where securities are traded on more than one exchange, the securities are valued on the exchange designated as the primary market by or under the authority of the Board of Directors of the Fund. Long positions in securities traded in the OTC market, NASDAQ Capital Market or Bulletin Board are valued at the last available bid price or yield equivalent obtained from one or more dealers or pricing services approved by the Board of Directors of the Fund. Short positions in securities traded in the OTC market are valued at the last available asked price. Portfolio securities that are traded both in the OTC market and on a stock exchange are valued according to the broadest and most representative market. When the Fund writes an option, the amount of the premium received is recorded on the books of the Fund as an asset and an equivalent liability. The amount of the liability is subsequently valued to reflect the current market value of the

option written, based on the last sale price in the case of exchange-traded options or, in the case of options traded in the OTC market, the last asked price. Options purchased by the Fund are valued at their last sale price in the case of exchange-traded options or, in the case of options traded in the OTC market, the last bid price. Swap agreements are valued based upon quoted fair valuations received daily by the Fund from a pricing service or counterparty. Other investments, including futures contracts and related options, are stated at market value. Obligations with remaining maturities of 60 days or less are valued at amortized cost unless the Manager believes that this method no longer produces fair valuations. Valuation of other short-term investment vehicles is generally based on the net asset value of the underlying investment vehicle or amortized cost. Repurchase agreements will be valued at cost plus accrued interest. Generally, trading in foreign securities, as well as U.S. government securities, money market instruments and certain fixed income securities, is substantially completed each day at various times prior to the close of business on the NYSE. The values of such securities used in computing the net asset value of the Fund's shares are determined as of such times. Foreign currency exchange rates will generally be determined as of the close of business on the NYSE. Occasionally, events affecting the values of such securities and such exchange 18 BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 Notes to Financial Statements (continued) rates may occur between the times at which they are determined and the close of business on the NYSE that may not be reflected in the computation of the Fund's net asset value. If events (for example, a company announcement, market volatility or a natural disaster) occur during such periods that are expected to materially affect the value of such securities, those securities will be valued at their fair value as determined in good faith by the Fund's Board of Directors or by the Manager using a pricing service and/or procedures approved by the Fund's Board of Directors. (c) Derivative financial instruments -- The Fund may engage in various portfolio investment strategies both to increase the return of the Fund and to hedge, or protect, its exposure to interest rate movements and movements in the securities markets. Losses may arise due to changes in the value of the contract or if the counterparty does not perform under the contract. The counterparty for certain instruments may pledge cash or securities as collateral. o Financial futures contracts -- The Fund may purchase or sell financial futures contracts and options on such financial futures contracts. Financial futures contracts are contracts for delayed delivery of securities at a specific future date and at a specific price or yield. Upon entering into a contract, the Fund deposits, and maintains as collateral, such initial margin as required by the exchange on which the transaction is effected. Pursuant to the contract, the Fund agrees to receive from or pay to the broker an amount of cash equal to the daily fluctuation in value of the contract. Such receipts or payments are known as variation margin and are recorded by the Fund as unrealized gains or losses. When the contract is closed, the Fund records a realized gain or loss equal to the difference between the value of the contract at the time it was opened and the value at the time it was closed. o Options -- The Fund may write covered call and put options and purchase call and put options. When the Fund writes an option, an amount equal to the premium received by the Fund is reflected as an asset and an equivalent liability. The amount of the liability is subsequently marked-to-market to reflect the current market value of the option written. When a security is purchased or sold through an exercise of an option, the related premium paid (or received) is added to (or deducted from) the basis of the security acquired or deducted from (or added to) the proceeds of the security sold. When an option expires (or the Fund enters into a closing transaction), the Fund realizes a gain or loss on the option to the extent of the premiums received or paid (or gain or loss to the extent the cost of the closing transaction exceeds the premium paid or received). Written and purchased options are non-income producing investments. o Swaps -- The Fund may enter into swap agreements, which are OTC contracts in which the Fund and a counterparty agree to make periodic net payments on a specified notional amount. The net payments can be made for a set period of time or may be triggered by a predetermined credit event. The net periodic payments may be based on a fixed or variable interest rate; the change in market value of a specified security, basket of securities, or index; or the return generated by a security. These periodic payments received or made by the Fund are recorded in the accompanying Statement of Operations as realized gains or losses, respectively. Gains or losses are also realized upon termination of the swap agreements. Swaps are marked-to-market daily and changes in value are recorded as unrealized appreciation (depreciation). Risks include changes in the returns of the underlying instruments, failure of the counterparties to perform under the contracts' terms and the possible lack of liquidity with respect to the swap agreements. o Forward foreign exchange contracts -- The Fund may enter into forward foreign exchange contracts as a hedge against either specific transactions or portfolio positions. The contract is marked-to-market daily and the change in market value is recorded by the Fund as an unrealized gain or loss. When the contract is closed, the Fund records a realized gain or loss equal to the difference between the value at the time it was opened and the value

at the time it was closed. (d) Foreign currency transactions -- Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded at the exchange rate prevailing when recognized. Assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are valued at the exchange rate at the end of the period. Foreign currency transactions are the result of settling (realized) or valuing (unrealized) assets or liabilities expressed in foreign currencies into U.S. dollars. Realized and unrealized gains or losses from investments include the effects of foreign exchange rates on investments. The Fund invests in foreign securities, which may involve a number of risk factors and special considerations not present with investments in securities of U.S. corporations. BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 19 Notes to Financial Statements (continued) (e) Income taxes -- It is the Fund's policy to comply with the requirements of the Internal Revenue Code applicable to regulated investment companies and to distribute substantially all of its taxable income to its shareholders. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required. Under the applicable foreign tax law, a withholding tax may be imposed on interest, dividends and capital gains at various rates. (f) Security transactions and investment income -- Security transactions are recorded on the dates the transactions are entered into (the trade dates). Realized gains and losses on security transactions are determined on the identified cost basis. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend dates. Interest income is recognized on the accrual basis. The Fund amortizes all premiums and discounts on debt securities. The Fund earns facility and other fees on loan participation interests. Other fees earned include amendment, consent and prepayment fees. (g) Dividends and distributions --Dividends from net investment income are declared and paid monthly. Distributions of capital gains are recorded on the ex-dividend dates. (h) Securities lending -- The Fund may lend securities to financial institutions that provide cash or securities issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government as collateral, which will be maintained at all times in an amount equal to at least 100% of the current market value of the loaned securities. The market value of the loaned securities is determined at the close of business of the Fund and any additional required collateral is delivered to the Fund on the next business day. Where the Fund receives securities as collateral for the loaned securities, it collects a fee from the borrower. The Fund typically receives the income on the loaned securities but does not receive the income on the collateral. Where the Fund receives cash collateral, it may invest such collateral and retain the amount earned on such investment, net of any amount rebated to the borrower. Loans of securities are terminable at any time and the borrower, after notice, is required to return borrowed securities within five business days. The Fund may pay reasonable finder's, lending agent, administrative and custodial fees in connection with its loans. In the event that the borrower defaults on its obligation to return borrowed securities because of insolvency or for any other reason, the Fund could experience delays and costs in gaining access to the collateral. The Fund also could suffer a loss where the value of the collateral falls below the market value of the borrowed securities, in the event of borrower default or in the event of losses on investments made with cash collateral. (i) Recent accounting pronouncements -- Effective August 31, 2007, the Fund implemented Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Interpretation No. 48, "Accounting for Uncertainty in Income Taxes -- an interpretation of FASB Statement No. 109" ("FIN 48"). FIN 48 prescribes the minimum recognition threshold a tax position must meet in connection with accounting for uncertainties in income tax positions taken or expected to be taken by an entity, including investment companies, before being measured and recognized in the financial statements. Management has evaluated the application of FIN 48 to the Fund, and has determined that the adoption of FIN 48 does not have a material impact on the Fund's financial statements. The Fund files U.S. and various state tax returns. No income tax returns are currently under examination. The statute of limitations on the Fund's tax returns remains open for the years ended February 28, 2004 through February 28, 2007. In September 2006, Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 157, "Fair Value Measurements" ("FAS 157"), was issued and is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. FAS 157 defines fair value, establishes a framework for measuring fair value and expands disclosures about fair value measurements. At this time, management is evaluating the implications of FAS 157 and its impact on the Fund's financial statements, if any, has not been determined. In addition, in February 2007, FASB issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards No. 159, "The Fair Value Option for Financial Assets and Financial Liabilities" ("FAS 159"), was issued and is effective for fiscal years beginning after November 15, 2007. Early adoption is permitted as of the beginning of a fiscal year that begins on or before November 15, 2007, provided the entity also elects to apply the provisions of FAS 157. FAS 159 permits entities to choose to measure many financial instruments and certain other items at fair value that are not currently required to be measured at fair value. FAS 159 also establishes presentation and disclosure requirements designed to facilitate comparisons between entities that choose different measurement attributes for similar types of assets and liabilities. At this time, management is evaluating the

implications of FAS 159 and its impact on the Fund's financial statements, if any, has not been determined. 2. Investment Advisory Agreement and Transactions with Affiliates: The Fund has entered into an Investment Advisory Agreement with the Manager. Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc. ("Merrill Lynch") and The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. are principal owners of BlackRock, Inc. 20 BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 Notes to Financial Statements (concluded) The Manager is responsible for the management of the Fund's portfolio and provides the necessary personnel, facilities, equipment and certain other services necessary to the operations of the Fund. For such services, the Fund pays a monthly fee at an annual rate of .60% of the Fund's average daily net assets plus the proceeds of any outstanding borrowings used for leverage. In addition, the Manager has entered into a Sub-Advisory Agreement with BlackRock Financial Management, LLC ("BFM"), an affiliate of the Manager, under which the Manager pays BFM for services it provides a monthly fee at an annual rate that is a percentage of the management fee paid by the Fund to the Manager. The Fund has received an exemptive order from the Securities and Exchange Commission permitting it to lend portfolio securities to Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, a wholly owned subsidiary of Merrill Lynch, or its affiliates. Pursuant to that order, the Fund has retained BlackRock Investment Management, LLC ("BIM"), an affiliate of the Manager, as the securities lending agent for a fee based on a share of the returns on investment of cash collateral. BIM may, on behalf of the Fund, invest cash collateral received by the Fund for such loans, among other things, in a private investment company managed by the Manager or in registered money market funds advised by the Manager or its affiliates. For the six months ended August 31, 2007, the Fund reimbursed the Manager \$7,641 for certain accounting services. Certain officers and/or directors of the Fund are officers and/or directors of BlackRock, Inc. or its affiliates. 3. Investments: Purchases and sales (including paydowns) of investments, excluding short-term securities, for the six months ended August 31, 2007 were \$313,008,645 and \$406,966,430, respectively. 4. Capital Share Transactions: The Fund is authorized to issue 200,000,000 shares of capital stock, par value \$.10 per share, all of which were initially classified as Common Stock. The Board of Directors is authorized, however, to classify and reclassify any unissued shares of capital stock without approval of the holders of Common Stock. Shares issued and outstanding during the six months ended August 31, 2007 and the year ended February 28, 2007 increased by 227,222 and 579,550, respectively, as a result of dividend reinvestment. 5. Unfunded Loan Commitments: As of August 31, 2007, the Fund had unfunded loan commitments of approximately \$3,455,000, which would be extended at the option of the borrower, pursuant to the following loan agreements: (in Thousands) ------ Value of Unfunded Underlying Borrower Commitment Loan ------ Big West 6. Short-Term Borrowings: On May 16, 2007, the Fund renewed its revolving credit and security agreement funded by a commercial paper asset securitization program with Citicorp North America, Inc. ("Citicorp") as Agent, certain secondary backstop lenders, and certain asset securitization conduits as lenders (the "Lenders"). The agreement was renewed for one year and has a maximum limit of \$370,000,000. Under the Citicorp program, the conduits will fund advances to the Fund through the issuance of highly rated commercial paper. As security for its obligations to the Lenders under the revolving securitization facility, the Fund has granted a security interest in substantially all of its assets to and in favor of the Lenders. The interest rate on the Fund's borrowings is based on the interest rate carried by the commercial paper plus a program fee. The Fund pays additional borrowing costs including a backstop commitment fee. The weighted average annual interest rate was 5.62% and the average borrowing was approximately \$302,039,000 for the six months ended August 31, 2007. 7. Capital Loss Carryforward: On February 28, 2007, the Fund had a net capital loss carry-forward of \$310,688,248, of which \$51,234,056 expires in 2008, \$21,442,332 expires in 2009, \$90,564,493 expires in 2010, \$85,285,305 expires in 2011, \$17,223,475 expires in 2012, \$21,126,025 expires in 2013, \$20,233,987 expires in 2014 and \$3,578,575 expires in 2015. This amount will be available to offset like amounts of any future taxable gains. 8. Subsequent Event: The Fund paid an ordinary income dividend in the amount of \$.053000 per share on September 28, 2007 to shareholders of record on September 14, 2007. BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 21 Officers and Directors Robert C. Doll, Jr., President and Director Ronald Forbes, Director Cynthia A. Montgomery, Director Jean Margo Reid, Director Roscoe S. Suddarth, Director Richard R. West, Director Donald C. Burke, Vice President and Treasurer Karen Clark, Fund Chief Compliance Officer Alice A. Pellegrino, Fund Secretary Howard Surloff, Fund Secretary (Effective November

1, 2007) Custodian The Bank of New York 100 Church Street New York, NY 10286 Transfer Agent The Bank of New York 101 Barclay Street -- 11 East New York, NY 10286 22 BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 BlackRock Privacy Principles BlackRock is committed to maintaining the privacy of its current and former fund investors and individual clients (collectively, "Clients") and to safeguarding their non-public personal information. The following information is provided to help you understand what personal information BlackRock collects, how we protect that information and why in certain cases we share such information with select parties. If you are located in a jurisdiction where specific laws, rules or regulations require BlackRock to provide you with additional or different privacy-related rights beyond what is set forth below, then BlackRock will comply with those specific laws, rules or regulations. 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We may share information with our affiliates to service your account or to provide you with information about other BlackRock products or services that may be of interest to you. In addition, BlackRock restricts access to non-public personal information about its Clients to those BlackRock employees with a legitimate business need for the information. BlackRock maintains physical, electronic and procedural safeguards that are designed to protect the non-public personal information of its Clients, including procedures relating to the proper storage and disposal of such information. Availability of Quarterly Schedule of Investments The Fund files its complete schedule of portfolio holdings with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for the first and third quarters of each fiscal year on Form N-Q. The Fund's Forms N-Q are available on the SEC's Web site at http://www.sec.gov. The Fund's Forms N-Q may also be reviewed and copied at the SEC's Public Reference Room in Washington, DC. Information on the operation of the Public Reference Room may be obtained by calling 1-800-SEC-0330. Electronic Delivery Electronic copies of most financial reports and prospectuses are available on the Fund's Web site. Shareholders can sign up for e-mail notifications of quarterly statements, annual and semi-annual reports and prospectuses by enrolling in the Fund's electronic delivery program. Shareholders Who Hold Accounts with Investment Advisers, Banks or Brokerages: Please contact your financial advisor to enroll. Please note that not all investment advisers, banks or brokerages may offer this service. BLACKROCK DEBT STRATEGIES FUND, INC. AUGUST 31, 2007 23 GO [PAPERLESS LOGO] It's Fast, Convenient, & Timely! BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc. seeks to provide current income by investing primarily in a diversified portfolio of U.S. companies' debt instruments, including corporate loans, that are rated in the lower rating categories of the established rating services (Baa or lower by Moody's Investors Service, Inc. or BBB or lower by Standard & Poor's) or unrated debt instruments of comparable quality. This report, including the financial information herein, is transmitted to shareholders of BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc. for their information. It is not a prospectus. Past performance results shown in this report should not be considered a representation of future performance. The Fund leverages its Common Stock to provide Common Stock shareholders with a potentially higher rate of return. Leverage creates risk for Common Stock shareholders, including the likelihood of greater volatility of net asset value and market price of Common Stock shares, and the risk that fluctuations in short-term interest rates may reduce the Common Stock's yield. Statements and other information herein are as dated and are subject to change. A description of the policies and procedures that the Fund uses to determine how to vote proxies relating to portfolio securities is available (1) without charge, upon request, by calling toll-free 1-800-441-7762; (2) at www.blackrock.com; and (3) on the Securities and Exchange Commission's Web site at http://www.sec.gov. Information about how the Fund voted proxies relating to securities held in the Fund's portfolio during the most recent 12-month period ended June 30 is available (1) at www.blackrock.com and (2) on the Securities and Exchange Commission's Web site at http://www.sec.gov. BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc. P.O. Box 9011 Princeton, NJ 08543-9011 BLACKROCK #DEBT-8/07 Item 2 -Code of Ethics - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report Item 3 - Audit Committee Financial Expert - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report Item 4 - Principal Accountant Fees and Services - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report Item 5 - Audit Committee of Listed Registrants - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report Item 6 - Schedule of Investments - The registrant's Schedule of Investments is included as part of the Report to Stockholders

filed under Item 1 of this form. Item 7 - Disclosure of Proxy Voting Policies and Procedures for Closed-End Management Investment Companies - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report Item 8 - Portfolio Managers of Closed-End Management Investment Companies - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report Item 9 - Purchases of Equity Securities by Closed-End Management Investment Company and Affiliated Purchasers - Not Applicable Item 10 - Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders - The registrant's Nominating Committee will consider nominees to the Board recommended by shareholders when a vacancy becomes available. Shareholders who wish to recommend a nominee should send nominations which include biographical information and set forth the qualifications of the proposed nominee to the registrant's Secretary. There have been no material changes to these procedures. Item 11 - Controls and Procedures 11(a) - The registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers or persons performing similar functions have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act")) are effective as of a date within 90 days of the filing of this report based on the evaluation of these controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act and Rule 13a-15(b) under the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. 11(b) - There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act) that occurred during the second fiscal quarter of the period covered by this report that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting. Item 12 - Exhibits attached hereto 12(a)(1) - Code of Ethics - Not Applicable to this semi-annual report 12(a)(2) - Certifications - Attached hereto 12(a)(3) - Not Applicable 12(b) - Certifications -Attached hereto Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized. BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc. By: /s/ Robert C. Doll, Jr. ---------------------------------Robert C. Doll, Jr., Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) of BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc. Date: October 22, 2007 Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) of BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc. Date: October 22, 2007 By: /s/ Donald C. Burke ------ Donald C. Burke, Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer) of BlackRock Debt Strategies Fund, Inc. Date: October 22, 2007