

BGC Partners, Inc.  
Form 3  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *			2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Â PAR INVESTMENT PARTNERS LP			(Month/Day/Year)	BGC Partners, Inc. [bgcp]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
ONE INTERNATIONAL PLACE, SUITE 2400,Â				(Check all applicable)	
(Street)				<input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
BOSTON,Â MAÂ 02110				<input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	<input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Class A Common Stock	5,331,300	D <sup>(1)</sup>	Â
Class A Common Stock	5,331,300	I	footnote <sup>(2)</sup>
Class A Common Stock	5,331,300	I	footnote <sup>(3)</sup>

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date <small>(Month/Day/Year)</small>	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
PAR INVESTMENT PARTNERS LP ONE INTERNATIONAL PLACE, SUITE 2400 BOSTON, MA 02110	^	^ X	^	^
PAR Group, L.P. ONE INTERNATIONAL PLACE SUITE 2401 BOSTON, MA 02110	^	^ X	^	^
PAR CAPITAL MANAGEMENT INC ONE INTERNATIONAL PLACE SUITE 2401 BOSTON, MA 02110	^	^ X	^	^

## Signatures

Gina DiMento, General Counsel & Vice President 07/21/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) These securities are held directly by PAR Investment Partners, L.P. ("PIP").

These securities are held directly by PIP. PAR Group, L.P. ("PAR Group") is the general partner of PIP. PAR Group disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of the pecuniary interest, if any, in such securities as a result of PAR Group's general partner interest in PIP and contingent right to a performance-based advisory fee.

(3) These securities are held directly by PIP. PAR Capital Management, Inc. ("PCM") is the general partner of PAR Group which is the general partner of PIP. PCM disclaims beneficial ownership of these securities except to the extent of the pecuniary interest, if any, in such securities as a result of PCM's general partner interest in PAR Group.

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