Castellano Michael J Form 4 January 17, 2013

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Castellano Michael J

BLACKROCK CREDIT ALLOCATION INCOME TRUST

(Check all applicable)

IV [BTZ]

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)

(Month/Day/Year) 01/15/2013

55 EAST 52ND STREET (Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Code

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(Instr. 4)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

NEW YORK, NY 10055

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Zip) (City) (State) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (Month/Day/Year)

Following Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price

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

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(A)

or

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount of Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionDerivative **Expiration Date Underlying Securities**

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Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day	/Year)	(Instr. 3 and	4)
				Code V	(A) (D) Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Performance Rights (1)	<u>(2)</u>	01/15/2013		A	197.09	(3)	(3)	Common Stock	197.09

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting Owner Praint / Praintess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Castellano Michael J 55 EAST 52ND STREET NEW YORK, NY 10055	X						

Signatures

/s/ Eugene Drozdetski as Attorney-in-Fact 01/17/2013

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(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) The Performance Rights were accrued under the BlackRock Deferred Compensation Plan.
- (2) One Performance Right is convertible into the cash value of one share of BlackRock Credit Allocation Income Trust IV.
- (3) The Performance Rights are to be settled 100% in cash at the deferral period chosen by the reporting person.

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