

Nuveen Energy MLP Total Return Fund  
Form N-PX  
August 26, 2011

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## FORM N-PX

### ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-22482

**Nuveen Energy MLP Total Return Fund**

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

**333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606**

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(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**Gifford R. Zimmerman - Chief Administrative Officer**

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(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 312-917-7700

Date of fiscal year-end: November 30

Date of reporting period: June 30, 2011

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**Item 1. Proxy Voting Record**

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**NUSTAR ENERGY LP**

**Ticker Symbol** NS  
**CUSIP** 67058H102  
**Meeting Date** 05-May-2011

<b>Item</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Vote</b>	<b>For/Against Management</b>
01	Amend Stock Compensation Plan	Management	For	For
02	Ratify Appointment of Independent Auditors	Management	For	For

**COPANO ENERGY, L.L.C.**

**Ticker Symbol** CPNO  
**CUSIP** 217202100  
**Meeting Date** 18-May-11

<b>Item</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Vote</b>	<b>For/Against Management</b>
01	Election of Directors	Management		
	1 JAMES G. CRUMP		For	For
	2 ERNIE L. DANNER		For	For
	3 SCOTT A. GRIFFITHS		For	For
	4 MICHAEL L. JOHNSON		For	For
	5 MICHAEL G. MACDOUGALL		For	For
	6 R. BRUCE NORTH CUTT		For	For
	7 T. WILLIAM PORTER		For	For
	8 WILLIAM L. THACKER		For	For
02	Ratify Appointment of Independent Auditors	Management	For	For
3A	Amend Stock Compensation Plan	Management	For	For
3B	Amend Stock Compensation Plan	Management	For	For
04	14A Executive Compensation	Management	For	For
05	14A Executive Compensation Vote Frequency	Management	3 Years	For

**MARKWEST ENERGY PARTNERS LP**

**Ticker Symbol** MWE  
**CUSIP** 570759100  
**Meeting Date** 1-Jun-11

<b>Item</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Vote</b>	<b>For/Against Management</b>
01	Election of Directors	Management		
	1 FRANK M. SEMPLE		For	For
	2 DONALD D. WOLF		For	For
	3 KEITH E. BAILEY		For	For
	4 MICHAEL L. BEATTY		For	For
	5 CHARLES K. DEMPSTER		For	For
	6 DONALD C. HEPPERMAN		For	For
	7 WILLIAM A. KELLSTROM		For	For
	8 ANNE E. FOX MOUNSEY		For	For
	9 WILLIAM P. NICOLETTI		For	For

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02	14A Executive Compensation	Management	For	For
03	14A Executive Compensation Vote Frequency	Management	3 Years	For
04	Ratify Appointment of Independent Auditors	Management	For	For

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**BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.**

**Ticker Symbol**                    BPL  
**CUSIP**                                118230101  
**Meeting Date**                    7-Jun-11

<b>Item</b>	<b>Proposal</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Vote</b>	<b>For/Against Management</b>
1A	Election of Directors (Majority Voting)	Management	For	For
1B	Election of Directors (Majority Voting)	Management	For	For
1C	Election of Directors (Majority Voting)	Management	For	For
02	Ratify Appointment of Independent Auditors	Management	For	For
03	14A Executive Compensation	Management	For	For
04	14A Executive Compensation Vote Frequency	Management	3 Years	For

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SIGNATURES:

Pursuant to the requirements of 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.

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By /s/ Gifford R. Zimmerman

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Gifford R. Zimmerman Chief Administrative Officer

Date

August 26, 2011