

Cushing MLP Total Return Fund  
Form N-PX  
August 30, 2010

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, DC 20549

FORM N-PX

ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF REGISTERED  
MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-22072

The Cushing MLP Total Return Fund  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

3300 Oak Lawn Avenue, Suite 650, Dallas, TX 75219  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Jerry V. Swank  
3300 Oak Lawn Avenue, Suite 650, Dallas, TX 75219  
(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 214-692-6334

Date of fiscal year end: November 30

Date of reporting period: June 30, 2010

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Item 1. Proxy Voting Record.

Name of Fund: Cushing MLP Total Return Fund  
 Period: July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010

Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
Dreyfus Instl Cash Advantage Inst	6/24/2010	26200V104	DADXX

Vote	MRV	Proposal	Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder
For	For	1. To approve an amended Management agreement Between the company , on behalf of the Fund, and Dreyfus Corporation	Issuer

Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
Markwest Energy Partners, LP	4/7/2010	570759100	MWE

Vote	MRV	Proposal	Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder
For	For	1. DIRECTOR	Issuer
For		Director 1	
For		Director 2	
For		Director 3	
For		Director 4	
For		Director 5	
For		Director 6	
For		Director 7	
For		Director 8	
For		Director 9	

For

2. RATIFICATION OF  
DELOITTE & TOUCHE  
LLP AS THE  
PARTNERSHIP'S  
INDEPENDENT  
REGISTERED PUBLIC  
ACCOUNTANTS FOR  
THE FISCAL YEAR  
ENDING DECEMBER  
31, 2010

Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
Legacy Reserves LP	5/12/2010	524707304	LGCY

Vote	MRV	Proposal	Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder
For	For	1. DIRECTOR	Issuer
For		Director 1	
For		Director 2	
For		Director 3	
For		Director 4	
For		Director 5	
For		Director 6	
For		Director 7	

Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
Vanguard Natural Resources, LLc	5/11/2010	92205F106	VNR

Vote	MRV	Proposal	Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder
For	For	1. DIRECTOR	Issuer
For		Director 1	
For		Director 2	
For		Director 3	
For		Director 4	
For		Director 5	

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For Director 6

For 2. TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF BDO SEIDMAN, LLP AS OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR 2010

Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
Copano Energy, LLC	5/11/2010	217202100	CPNO

Vote	MRV	Proposal	Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder
For	For	1. DIRECTOR	Issuer

For Director 1  
 For Director 2  
 For Director 3  
 For Director 4  
 For Director 5  
 For Director 6  
 For Director 7

For 2. RATIFICATION OF DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP AS THE PARTNERSHIP'S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR 2010

Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
UIL Holdings Corporation	5/11/2010	902748102	UIL

Vote	MRV	Proposal	Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder
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For	For	1. DIRECTOR	Issuer
For		Director 1	
For		Director 2	
For		Director 3	
For		Director 4	
For		Director 5	
For		Director 6	
For		Director 7	
For		Director 8	
For		Director 9	
For		Director 10	

For	2. RATIFICATION OF THE SELECTION OF PRICEWATERHOUSE COOPER LLP AS UIL HOLDINGS CORPORATION'S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR 2010.
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Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
Linn Energy, LLC	4/27/2010	536020100	LINE

			Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder
Vote	MRV	Proposal	Issuer
For	For	1. DIRECTOR	
For		Director 1	
For		Director 2	
For		Director 3	
For		Director 4	
For		Director 5	
For		Director 6	
For		2. RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF KPMG LLP AS INDEPENDENT	

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AUDITORS FOR THE  
FISCAL YEAR  
ENDING DECEMBER  
31, 2010.

Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
Linn Energy, LLC	4/27/2010	536020100	LINE

			Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder
Vote	MRV	Proposal	Issuer
For	For	1. DIRECTOR	
For		Director 1	
For		Director 2	
For		Director 3	
For		Director 4	
For		Director 5	
For		Director 6	
For		2. RATIFICATION OF APPOINTMENT OF KPMG LLP AS INDEPENDENT AUDITORS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2010.	

Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
The Empire District Electric Company	4/29/2010	291641108	EDE

			Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder
Vote	MRV	Proposal	Issuer
For	For	1. DIRECTOR	
For		Director 1	
For		Director 2	
For		Director 3	

For

2. RATIFICATION OF  
THE SELECTION OF  
PRICEWATERHOUSE  
COOPER LLP AS UIL  
HOLDINGS  
CORPORATION'S  
INDEPENDENT  
REGISTERED PUBLIC  
ACCOUNTING FIRM  
FOR 2010.

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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.

(Registrant) The Cushing MLP Total Return Fund

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Jerry V. Swank  
Jerry V. Swank  
Chief Executive Officer and President

Date August 27, 2010

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