

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

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 |
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| Dreyfus Instl Cash Advantage Inst | 6/24/2010 | 26200V104 | DADXX |

| Vote | MRV | Proposal | Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder |
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| 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 |
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| Markwest Energy Partners, LP | 4/7/2010 | 570759100 | MWE |

| 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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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| 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

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

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| 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

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

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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 | |

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| 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 |

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| | | | 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.

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

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| | | | 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. | |

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

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| | | | 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.

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
