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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM N-PX

ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT
COMPANY

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT FILE NUMBER: 811-22072

NAME OF REGISTRANT: The Cushing MLP Total Return
Fund

ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES: 8117 Preston Road, Suite
440,
Dallas, TX 75225

NAME AND ADDRESS OF AGENT FOR SERVICE: Jerry V. Swank
8117 Preston Road, Suite
440,
Dallas, TX 75225

REGISTRANT'S TELEPHONE NUMBER: 214-692-6334

DATE OF FISCAL YEAR END: 11/30

DATE OF REPORTING PERIOD: 07/01/2013 - 06/30/2014

The Cushing MLP Total Return Fund

ATLAS ENERGY L P

Agen

Security: 04930A104
Meeting Type: Annual
Meeting Date: 23-Apr-2014
Ticker: ATLS
ISIN: US04930A1043

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
|--------|--|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | DIRECTOR EDWARD E. COHEN ELLEN F. WARREN | Mgmt Mgmt | For For |
| 2 | APPROVAL OF THE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AS DISCLOSED PURSUANT TO THE COMPENSATION DISCLOSURE RULES OF THE SEC, INCLUDING THE COMPENSATION DISCUSSION | Mgmt | For |

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AND ANALYSIS, COMPENSATION TABLES AND
NARRATIVE DISCUSSION.

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| 3 | RATIFICATION OF THE SELECTION OF GRANT THORNTON LLP AS THE PARTNERSHIP'S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014. | Mgmt | For |
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BLUEKNIGHT ENERGY PARTNERS LP

Agen

Security: 09625U109
Meeting Type: Special
Meeting Date: 23-Jun-2014
Ticker: BKEP
ISIN: US09625U1097

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
|--------|---|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE TERMS OF THE BLUEKNIGHT ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. EMPLOYEE UNIT PURCHASE PLAN. | Mgmt | For |
| 2. | PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT OF THE BLUEKNIGHT ENERGY PARTNERS G.P., L.L.C. LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF COMMON UNITS ISSUABLE UNDER SUCH PLAN BY 1,500,000 COMMON UNITS FROM 2,600,000 COMMON UNITS TO 4,100,000 COMMON UNITS AND MAKE CERTAIN OTHER CHANGES. | Mgmt | For |
| 3. | PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE SPECIAL MEETING TO A LATER DATE OR DATES, IF DEEMED NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE, TO SOLICIT ADDITIONAL PROXIES IF THERE ARE NOT SUFFICIENT VOTES AT THE TIME OF THE SPECIAL MEETING TO APPROVE PROPOSAL 1 AND/OR PROPOSAL 2. | Mgmt | For |

BLUEKNIGHT ENERGY PARTNERS LP

Agen

Security: 09625U208
Meeting Type: Special
Meeting Date: 23-Jun-2014
Ticker: BKEPP
ISIN: US09625U2087

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
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| 1. | PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE TERMS OF THE | Mgmt | For |

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BLUEKNIGHT ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. EMPLOYEE
UNIT PURCHASE PLAN.

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| 2. | PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT OF THE BLUEKNIGHT ENERGY PARTNERS G.P., L.L.C. LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF COMMON UNITS ISSUABLE UNDER SUCH PLAN BY 1,500,000 COMMON UNITS FROM 2,600,000 COMMON UNITS TO 4,100,000 COMMON UNITS AND MAKE CERTAIN OTHER CHANGES. | Mgmt | For |
| 3. | PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE SPECIAL MEETING TO A LATER DATE OR DATES, IF DEEMED NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE, TO SOLICIT ADDITIONAL PROXIES IF THERE ARE NOT SUFFICIENT VOTES AT THE TIME OF THE SPECIAL MEETING TO APPROVE PROPOSAL 1 AND/OR PROPOSAL 2. | Mgmt | For |

BREITBURN ENERGY PARTNERS L.P.

Agen

Security: 106776107
Meeting Type: Annual
Meeting Date: 19-Jun-2014
Ticker: BBEP
ISIN: US1067761072

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
|--------|---|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | DIRECTOR RANDALL H. BREITENBACH DAVID B. KILPATRICK | Mgmt Mgmt | For For |
| 2. | ADVISORY (NON-BINDING) PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE COMPENSATION OF THE NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF BREITBURN GP, LLC. | Mgmt | For |
| 3. | RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS, LLP AS THE INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014. | Mgmt | For |

BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.

Agen

Security: 118230101
Meeting Type: Annual
Meeting Date: 03-Jun-2014
Ticker: BPL
ISIN: US1182301010

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|--------|--|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. | DIRECTOR FORREST E. WYLIE BARBARA J. DUGANIER JOSEPH A. LASALA, JR. MARTIN A. WHITE | Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt | For For For For |
| 2. | THE RATIFICATION OF THE SELECTION OF DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP AS BUCKEYE PARTNERS, L.P.'S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR 2014. | Mgmt | For |
| 3. | THE APPROVAL, IN AN ADVISORY VOTE, OF THE COMPENSATION OF BUCKEYE'S NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AS DESCRIBED IN OUR PROXY STATEMENT PURSUANT TO ITEM 402 OF REGULATION S-K. | Mgmt | For |

CAPITAL PRODUCT PARTNERS L.P.

Agen

Security: Y11082107
Meeting Type: Annual
Meeting Date: 22-Jul-2013
Ticker: CPLP
ISIN: MHY110821078

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
|--------|--|---------------|--------------------|
| 1. | DIRECTOR KEITH FORMAN E.G. BAIRACTARIS | Mgmt Mgmt | No vote No vote |

EAGLE ROCK ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.

Agen

Security: 26985R104
Meeting Type: Special
Meeting Date: 29-Apr-2014
Ticker: EROC
ISIN: US26985R1041

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
|--------|---|---------------|---------------|
| 1 | PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE CONTRIBUTION AGREEMENT DATED AS OF DECEMBER 23, 2013, BY AND AMONG EAGLE ROCK ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P. ("EAGLE ROCK"), REGENCY ENERGY PARTNERS LP ("REGENCY") AND REGAL MIDSTREAM LLC, A | Mgmt | For |

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WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF REGENCY, AND THE OTHER TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED THEREBY (COLLECTIVELY, THE "CONTRIBUTION").

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| 2 | ADVISORY, NON-BINDING PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE RELATED COMPENSATION PAYMENTS THAT MAY BE PAID OR BECOME PAYABLE TO ONE OF EAGLE ROCK'S NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONTRIBUTION. | Mgmt | For |
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EAGLE ROCK ENERGY PARTNERS, L.P.

Agen

Security: 26985R104
 Meeting Type: Annual
 Meeting Date: 24-Jun-2014
 Ticker: EROC
 ISIN: US26985R1041

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
|--------|--|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | DIRECTOR WILLIAM K. WHITE | Mgmt | For |
| 2. | ADVISORY VOTE TO APPROVE NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICER COMPENSATION. | Mgmt | For |
| 3. | RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF KPMG LLP AS THE INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM OF THE PARTNERSHIP TO EXAMINE, AUDIT AND REPORT TO UNITHOLDERS ON THE CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF OUR PARTNERSHIP AND ITS SUBSIDIARIES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014. | Mgmt | For |
| 4. | TO APPROVE THE AMENDED AND RESTATED EAGLE ROCK ENERGY PARTNERS LONG TERM INCENTIVE PLAN. | Mgmt | For |

GOLAR LNG PARTNERS LP

Agen

Security: Y2745C102
 Meeting Type: Annual
 Meeting Date: 20-Sep-2013
 Ticker: GMLP
 ISIN: MHY2745C1021

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
|--------|---|---------------|---------------|
| 1 | TO ELECT BART VELDHUIZEN AS A CLASS I DIRECTOR OF THE PARTNERSHIP WHOSE TERM WILL | Mgmt | No vote |

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EXPIRE AT THE 2016 ANNUAL MEETING OF
LIMITED PARTNERS.

LEGACY RESERVES LP

Agen

Security: 524707304
Meeting Type: Annual
Meeting Date: 15-May-2014
Ticker: LGCY
ISIN: US5247073043

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
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| 1. | DIRECTOR CARY D. BROWN KYLE A. MCGRAW DALE A. BROWN G. LARRY LAWRENCE WILLIAM D. SULLIVAN WILLIAM R. GRANBERRY KYLE D. VANN | Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt | For For For For For For For |
| 2. | ADVISORY RESOLUTION APPROVING EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION. | Mgmt | For |
| 3. | RATIFICATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF BDO USA, LLP AS OUR INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014. | Mgmt | For |

LINNCO, LLC

Agen

Security: 535782106
Meeting Type: Annual
Meeting Date: 22-Apr-2014
Ticker: LNCO
ISIN: US5357821066

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
|--------|---|--|--|
| 1. | DIRECTOR MARK E. ELLIS DAVID D. DUNLAP STEPHEN J. HADDEN MICHAEL C. LINN JOSEPH P. MCCOY JEFFREY C. SWOVELAND | Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt | For For For For For For |
| 2. | TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF KPMG LLP AS INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT OF LINN FOR | Mgmt | For |

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THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014.

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| 3. | TO PROVIDE A NON-BINDING ADVISORY VOTE APPROVING LINN'S EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION PROGRAM. | Mgmt | For |
| 4. | TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF KPMG LLP AS INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT OF LINNCO, LLC ("LINNCO") FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014. | Mgmt | For |

MARKWEST ENERGY PARTNERS LP

Agen

Security: 570759100
 Meeting Type: Annual
 Meeting Date: 06-Jun-2014
 Ticker: MWE
 ISIN: US5707591005

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|--------|--|--|---|
| 1. | DIRECTOR FRANK M. SEMPLE DONALD D. WOLF W.A. BRUCKMANN III MICHAEL L. BEATTY CHARLES K. DEMPSTER DONALD C. HEPPERMAN RANDALL J. LARSON ANNE E. FOX MOUNSEY WILLIAM P. NICOLETTI | Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt | For For For For For For For For For |
| 2 | TO APPROVE, ON AN ADVISORY BASIS, THE COMPENSATION OF THE PARTNERSHIP'S NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS AS DESCRIBED IN THE PARTNERSHIP'S PROXY STATEMENT FOR THE 2014 ANNUAL MEETING OF COMMON UNITHOLDERS. | Mgmt | For |
| 3 | RATIFICATION OF DELOITTE & TOUCHE LLP AS THE PARTNERSHIP'S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2014. | Mgmt | For |

NAVIOS MARITIME PARTNERS L.P.

Agen

Security: Y62267102
 Meeting Type: Annual
 Meeting Date: 04-Dec-2013
 Ticker: NMM
 ISIN: MHY622671029

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|--------|---|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | DIRECTOR DIMITRIS P. GKOURAS | Mgmt | For |
| 2. | PROPOSAL TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF PRICEWATERHOUSECOOPERS AS THE COMPANY'S INDEPENDENT PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013. | Mgmt | For |

 NUSTAR GP HOLDINGS, LLC

Agen

 Security: 67059L102
 Meeting Type: Annual
 Meeting Date: 23-Apr-2014
 Ticker: NSH
 ISIN: US67059L1026

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
|--------|---|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | DIRECTOR BRADLEY C. BARRON WILLIAM B. BURNETT | Mgmt Mgmt | For For |
| 2. | TO RATIFY THE APPOINTMENT OF KPMG LLP AS NUSTAR GP HOLDINGS, LLC'S INDEPENDENT REGISTERED ACCOUNTING FIRM FOR 2014. | Mgmt | For |
| 3. | TO APPROVE, BY NON-BINDING VOTE, THE EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION OF OUR NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS. | Mgmt | For |

 PVR PARTNERS, L.P.

Agen

 Security: 693665101
 Meeting Type: Special
 Meeting Date: 20-Mar-2014
 Ticker: PVR
 ISIN: US6936651016

| Prop.# | Proposal | Proposal Type | Proposal Vote |
|--------|---|---------------|---------------|
| 1 | TO CONSIDER AND VOTE ON A PROPOSAL TO ADOPT THE AGREEMENT AND PLAN OF MERGER, DATED AS OF OCTOBER 9, 2013 (AS IT MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME), WHICH IS REFERRED TO AS THE MERGER AGREEMENT, BY AND AMONG PVR, PVR GP, LLC, THE GENERAL PARTNER OF PVR, REGENCY ENERGY PARTNERS LP, AND REGENCY GP | Mgmt | For |

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LP, THE GENERAL PARTNER OF REGENCY, AND THE TRANSACTIONS CONTEMPLATED THEREBY.

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| 2 | TO CONSIDER AND VOTE ON A PROPOSAL TO APPROVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE PVR SPECIAL MEETING, IF NECESSARY, TO SOLICIT ADDITIONAL PROXIES IF THERE ARE NOT SUFFICIENT VOTES TO ADOPT THE MERGER AGREEMENT AT THE TIME OF THE SPECIAL MEETING. | Mgmt | For |
| 3 | TO CONSIDER AND VOTE ON A PROPOSAL TO APPROVE, ON AN ADVISORY (NON-BINDING) BASIS, THE RELATED COMPENSATION PAYMENTS THAT WILL OR MAY BE PAID BY PVR TO ITS NAMED EXECUTIVE OFFICERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE MERGER. | Mgmt | For |

QR ENERGY LP (QRE)

Agen

Security: 74734R108
 Meeting Type: Special
 Meeting Date: 10-Mar-2014
 Ticker: QRE
 ISIN: US74734R1086

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|--------|--|---------------|---------------|
| 1. | APPROVAL OF THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE QRE GP, LLC LONG-TERM INCENTIVE PLAN - THIS PROPOSAL IS TO APPROVE THE FIRST AMENDMENT IN ORDER TO APPROVE THE INCREASE IN THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF COMMON UNITS THAT MAY BE GRANTED AS EQUITY-BASED AWARDS UNDER THE LTIP. THIS PROPOSAL IS ALSO TO APPROVE THE MODIFICATION OF AN ... (DUE TO SPACE LIMITS, SEE PROXY STATEMENT FOR FULL PROPOSAL) | Mgmt | For |
| 2. | APPROVAL OF THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE SPECIAL MEETING - THIS PROPOSAL IS TO APPROVE THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE SPECIAL MEETING TO A LATER DATE OR DATES, IF NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE, TO SOLICIT ADDITIONAL PROXIES IN THE EVENT THERE ARE NOT SUFFICIENT VOTES AT THE TIME OF THE SPECIAL MEETING TO APPROVE PROPOSAL NO. 1. ... (DUE TO SPACE LIMITS, SEE PROXY STATEMENT FOR FULL PROPOSAL) | Mgmt | For |

TARGA RESOURCES CORP.

Agen

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Security: 87612G101
Meeting Type: Annual
Meeting Date: 29-May-2014
Ticker: TRGP
ISIN: US87612G1013

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|--------|---|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. | DIRECTOR CHARLES R. CRISP LAURA C. FULTON JAMES W. WHALEN | Mgmt Mgmt Mgmt | For For For |
| 2. | RATIFICATION OF SELECTION OF INDEPENDENT AUDITORS | Mgmt | For |
| 3. | ADVISORY VOTE ON EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION | Mgmt | For |
| 4. | A SHAREHOLDER PROPOSAL REGARDING PUBLICATION OF A REPORT ON METHANE EMISSIONS | Shr | Against |

* Management position unknown

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) /s/ Daniel L. Spears
Name Daniel L. Spears
Title President
Date 08/18/2014