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: July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009

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Item 1. Proxy Voting Record.

Name of Fund:(1) The Cushing MLP Total Return Fund

Period: July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2009

Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP(2)	Ticker (2)
MARKWEST ENERGY PARTNERS, LP	06/02/09	570759100	MWE
Vote (3)	MRV (4) For	Proposal (5) 1. DIRECTOR	Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder (6) Issuer
For	For	Frank M. Semple John M. Fox Keith E. Bailey Michael L. Beatty Charles K. Dempster Donald C. Heppermann William A. Kellstrom Anne E. Fox Mounsey William P. Nicoletti Donald D. Wolf 2. Ratification of Deloitte	Issuer
		& Touche LLP as the Partnership's independent registered public accountants for the fiscla year ending December 31, 2009.	
Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
MAGELLAN MIDSTREAM HOLDINGS, L.P.	04/23/09	55907R108	MGG
Vote	MRV For	Proposal 1. DIRECTOR	Proposed by Issuer or Security Holder Issuer
For		Patrick C. Eilers	
Company Name	Meeting Date	CUSIP	Ticker
MAGELLAN MIDSTREAM PARTNERS,	04/22/09	559080106	MMP

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Vote MRV Proposal Security Holder For 1. DIRECTOR Issuer

For George A. O'Brien, Jr.

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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 4, 2009