Nuveen Energy MLP Total Return Fund Form 4

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# FORM 4

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1(b).

Total

(Print or Type Responses)

| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * CUNNANE JAMES J JR |   |       | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Nuveen Energy MLP Total Return Fund [JMF] |   |            |        |                 | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)  |                  |          |  |
|--|---|-------|---|---|------------|--------|-----------------|---|------------------|----------|--|
| INC., 8235   | (Last) (First) (Middle)  ADVISORY RESEARCH, INC., 8235 MARYLAND AVENUE, SUITE 700 |       | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/25/2014                           |   |            |        |                 | Director 10% Owner Officer (give titleX Other (specify below) portfolio manager   |                  |          |  |
| (Street) ST. LOUIS, MO 63105                                 |   |       | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)                                  |   |            |        |                 | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting |                  |          |  |
| (City)   | (State)   | (Zip) | Tal   | ble I - Non-  | ·Derivativ | e Seci | ırities Aca     | Person uired, Disposed o  | f. or Beneficial | ly Owned |  |
| 1.Title of<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                         | 2. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year)   | la    |   | 3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or |            |        |                 | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·   | 7. Nature of     |          |  |
| Nuveen<br>Energy<br>MLP<br>Total<br>Return<br>Fund           | 02/25/2014  |       |   | P   | 100        | (D)    | Price \$ 18.805 | 100   | D                |          |  |
| Nuveen<br>Energy<br>MLP                                      | 02/25/2014  |       |   | P   | 500        | A      | \$<br>18.809    | 600   | D                |          |  |

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MLP Total P 1,900 A \$18.8 2,500 D

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|  | 1. Title of<br>Derivative | 2. Conversion | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if | 4.<br>Transact | 5.<br>orNumber | 6. Date Exerc<br>Expiration D |       | 7. Titl<br>Amou |          | 8. Price of Derivative | 9. Nu<br>Deriv |
|--|---------------------------|---------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-------------------------------|-------|-----------------|----------|------------------------|----------------|
|  | Security                  | or Exercise   |                                      | any                           | Code           | of             | (Month/Day/                   | Year) | Under           | lying    | Security               | Secui          |
|  | (Instr. 3)                | Price of      |                                      | (Month/Day/Year)              | (Instr. 8)     | Derivativ      | e                             |       | Secur           | ities    | (Instr. 5)             | Bene           |
|  |                           | Derivative    |                                      |                               |                | Securities     | ;                             |       | (Instr.         | 3 and 4) |                        | Owne           |
|  |                           | Security      |                                      |                               |                | Acquired       |                               |       |                 |          |                        | Follo          |
|  |                           |               |                                      |                               |                | (A) or         |                               |       |                 |          |                        | Repo           |
|  |                           |               |                                      |                               |                | Disposed       |                               |       |                 |          |                        | Trans          |
|  |                           |               |                                      |                               |                | of (D)         |                               |       |                 |          |                        | (Instr         |
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|  |                           |               |                                      |                               |                | 4, and 5)      |                               |       |                 |          |                        |                |
|  |                           |               |                                      |                               |                |                |                               |       |                 | Amount   |                        |                |
|  |                           |               |                                      |                               |                |                |                               |       |                 | Amount   |                        |                |
|  |                           |               |                                      |                               |                | Date           | Expiration                    | Title | or<br>Number    |          |                        |                |
|  |                           |               |                                      |                               |                | Exercisable    | Date                          |       | of              |          |                        |                |
|  |                           |               |                                      | Code V                        | (A) (D)        |                |                               |       | Shares          |          |                        |                |
|  |                           |               |                                      |                               | Code v         | (A) $(D)$      |                               |       |                 | Shares   |                        |                |

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CUNNANE JAMES J JR ADVISORY RESEARCH, INC. 8235 MARYLAND AVENUE, SUITE 700 ST. LOUIS, MO 63105

portfolio manager

## **Signatures**

James J. 02/25/2014 Cunnane, Jr.

\*\*Signature of Date
Reporting Person

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