

CUNNANE JAMES J JR

Form 4

December 18, 2017

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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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)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

ADVISORY RESEARCH,
INC., 8235 FORSYTH BLVD.,
SUITE 700

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
12/15/2017

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title ____X____ Other (specify
below) below)
portfolio manager

CLAYTON, 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
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Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | | | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--------|------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | Code | V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | | | |
| Nuveen Energy MLP Total Return Fund | 12/15/2017 | | P | | 2,400 | A | \$ 11.258 | 2,400 | I | partial owner of BVC LP |
| Nuveen Energy MLP Total | 12/15/2017 | | P | | 2,065 | A | \$ 11.257 | 4,465 | I | partial owner of BVC LP |

Return
Fund

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 6) |
|---|--|---|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

CUNNANE JAMES J JR
ADVISORY RESEARCH, INC.
8235 FORSYTH BLVD., SUITE 700
CLAYTON, MO 63105

portfolio manager

Signatures

James J. Cunnane Jr./signed
under POA

12/18/2017

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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