

Swank Jerry V
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Swank Jerry V			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Cushing MLP Total Return Fund [SRV]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/17/2012	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) CEO and President/Trustee / Chairman of the Board
8117 PRESTON ROAD, SUITE 440 (Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	DALLAS, TX 75225	

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Shares	12/17/2012		P	10,000 A \$ 7.1708	66,810	D	
Common Shares					14,000 <u>(1)</u> <u>(2)</u>	I	By Fund (See footnotes)

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

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