Cushing MLP Total Return Fund Form 8-K May 17, 2011

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 8-K

#### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 17, 2011 (May 17, 2011)

The Cushing MLP Total Return Fund (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 811-22072 35-2303963
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (I.R.S. Employer of incorporation) Identification No.)

8117 Preston Road Suite 440
Dallas, Texas 75225
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (214) 692-6334

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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 Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

The Cushing MLP Total Return Fund (the "Fund") issued a corrected press release on May 17, 2011. The Fund's corrected press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

- (d) Exhibits
- 99.1 Corrected Press Release dated May 17, 2011

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

The Cushing MLP Total Return Fund

By: /s/ DANIEL L. SPEARS

Name: Daniel L. Spears

Executive Vice President and

Title: Secretary

DATE: May 17, 2011

## EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

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