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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

 Name and Address of Reporting Per Shoaf Thomas R 	son * 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
	NuStar Energy L.P. [NS]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Mid	dle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction	•			
	(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
2330 NORTH LOOP 1604 WE	ST 01/28/2011	_X_ Officer (give title Other (special below)			
		Vice President & Controller			
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line)			
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SAN ANTONIO, TX 78248

(City)	(State) (Z	(p) Table I	- Non-Der	rivative Se	curiti	es Acquii	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securion(A) or D (Instr. 3,	ispose 4 and (A) or	d of (D)	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)
Common Units	01/28/2011		A	2,379 (1)	A	\$ 0	8,489	D	
Common Units (tax withheld for performance unit vesting)	01/28/2011		F	805	D	\$ 68.96	7,684	D	

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Tit.	le and	8. Price of	9
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transac	tionNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	int of	Derivative	J
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security	,
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8) Derivative	e		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)]
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		(
	Security				Acquired]
					(A) or]
					Disposed						-
					of (D)						(
					(Instr. 3,						
					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
									or		
						Date	Expiration	Title	Number		
						Exercisable	Date		of		
				Code	V (A) (D)				Shares		
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address		R	elationships
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Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Shoaf Thomas R Vice
2330 NORTH LOOP 1604 WEST President &
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78248 Controller

Signatures

/s/ Matthew D. Willcox, as Attorney-in-Fact for Thomas R. Shoaf

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

On January 28, 2011, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of NuStar GP LLC, the general partner of NuStar Energy L.P.'s general partner, determined that NuStar Energy L.P.'s total unitholder return was in the top quartile of its peer group for 2010. As a result, the performance units granted to Mr. Shoaf in 2008, 2009 and 2010 that were available to vest for 2010 performance vested at

(1) 150%, in accordance with the applicable agreements. Under the agreements, performance units available to vest that do not vest in a given year are carried forward for one year. In addition, under the omnibus amendments to the applicable award agreements, performance units that would have lapsed in January 2010 were carried forward for an additional year. These carried-forward units vested at 100%, in accordance with the agreements.

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