NuStar Energy L.P. Form 4 February 02, 2015

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Barron Bradley C Issuer Symbol NuStar Energy L.P. [NS] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify 19003 IH-10 WEST 01/29/2015 below) CEO & President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) \_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SAN ANTONIO, TX 78257 Person

(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y Owned
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if		3. Transactio	4. Securities Acquired nsaction(A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership Form: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)		(A)		Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Units	01/29/2015		A	5,228 (1)	A	\$ 0	34,007	D	
Common Units (2)	01/29/2015		F	2,254	D	\$ 59.24	31,753	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		4.	5.	6. Date Exer		7. Title		8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	lying	Security	Secur
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative	e		Securi	ties	(Instr. 5)	Bene
	Derivative				Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)		Own
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					(A) or						Repo
					Disposed						Trans
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					4, and 5)						
									Amount		
						Date	Expiration		or		
						Exercisable	Date	Title	Number		
						Excicisable	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Barron Bradley C 19003 IH-10 WEST	X		CEO & President					
SAN ANTONIO, TX 78257	11		ozo w mesiaem					

### **Signatures**

/s/ Michelle S. Miller, as Attorney-in-Fact for Bradley C. 02/02/2015 Barron

> \*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

# **Explanation of Responses:**

- 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 29, 2015, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors of NuStar GP, LLC, the general partner of the Issuer's general partner, determined that the Issuer's total unitholder return was in the third quartile of its peer group for the relevant performance
- (1) period. As a result, the performance units granted in 2011, 2012 and 2013 that were available to vest for the performance period ending on December 31, 2014 vested at 50%, in accordance with the award terms. On January 29, 2015, the Compensation Committee also determined that the Issuer achieved a distribution coverage ratio of 1:1 for 2014 and, in accordance with the award terms, the performance units available to vest for the 2014 awards vested at 100%.
- (2) "Common Units" reported are units not distributed to the reporting person in order to satisfy the reporting person's tax obligations. Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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