FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name an PATTO   |  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol NuStar Energy L.P. [ NS ] |  |       |   |   |       |        |  |  | heck all a                                  | nship of Reporting F<br>applicable)<br>Director   |                                | son(s) to Is        |  |                           |   |   |  |  |
|--|--|---|--|-------|---|---|-------|--------|--|--|---|---|--------------------------------|---------------------|--|---------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| (Last) (First) (Middle) 19003 IH-10 WEST   |  |   |  |       |   | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/16/2013 |       |        |  |  |   |   |                                |                     |  | ficer (give title<br>low) |   | Other (<br>below)   | specify  |  |
| (Street) SAN ANTONIO TX 78257  (City) (State) (Zip)  |  |   |  |       | 4. If                                   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)    |       |        |  |  |   |   |                                |                     | ne)<br>X Fo  | orm filed by On           | or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable<br>m filed by One Reporting Person<br>m filed by More than One Reporting<br>son |   |  |  |
| Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned   |  |   |  |       |   |   |       |        |  |  |   |   |                                |                     |  |                           |   |   |  |  |
| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Date)  |  |   |  |       |   | Execution Date,   |       |        | Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)                           |  | ities Acquired (A)<br>d Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 |   |                                | d Sec<br>Ben<br>Owi | mount of<br>urities<br>eficially<br>ned Following<br>orted | Form                      | nership<br>: Direct<br>r Indirect<br>str. 4)  | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |  |
|  |  |   |  |       |   | Code  | v     | Amount | (A) or<br>(D)  |  | Price                                       | Trai  | nsaction(s)<br>tr. 3 and 4)    |                     |  | (mour 4)                  |   |   |  |  |
| Common Units 12/16/  |  |   |  |       |   |   | ′2013 |        | A  |  | 1,401 <sup>(1)</sup>                        |   | A                              | \$0                 | 0 26,133   |                           |   | D   |  |  |
| Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |  |   |  |       |   |   |       |        |  |  |   |   |                                |                     |  |                           |   |   |  |  |
| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)  | tive Conversion Date Execution Date, or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any |   |  | Date, | 4.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   | of    |        | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) |  |   | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Securities<br>Underlying<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr.<br>and 4) |                                | tr. 3               | 8. Price of Derivativ Security (Instr. 5)                  |                           | O<br>Fe<br>Di<br>Oi<br>(I)  | Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|  |  |   |  |       | Code                                    | v   | (A)   | (D)    | Date<br>Exercisal  |  | Expiration<br>Date                          | Title   | Amo<br>or<br>Num<br>of<br>Shar | ber                 |  |                           |   |   |  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. Award of restricted units. The restricted units vest annually in equal increments over a three-year period beginning in December 2014.

/s/ Matthew D. Willcox, as

12/18/2013 Attorney-in-Fact for Rodman

**Patton** 

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

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