

TORTOISE MLP FUND, INC.  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
 METROPOLITAN LIFE  
 INSURANCE CO/NY

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 10/07/2010

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 TORTOISE MLP FUND, INC. [NTG]

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 10 PARK AVENUE, P.O. BOX  
 1902  
 (Street)

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_X\_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_ Officer \_\_\_ Other  
 (give title below) (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 \_\_\_X\_\_\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 \_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

MORRISTOWN, NJ 07962  
 (City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Tortoise MLP Fund, Inc. <sup>(1)</sup>	\$ 16,667,000	D	^
Tortoise MLP Fund, Inc. <sup>(2)</sup>	\$ 10,000,000	D	^
Tortoise MLP Fund, Inc. <sup>(3)</sup>	\$ 5,333,000	D	^
Tortoise MLP Fund, Inc. <sup>(4)</sup>	\$ 20,000,000	D	^
Tortoise MLP Fund, Inc. <sup>(5)</sup>	\$ 11,333,000	D	^

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

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