

NUVEEN TAX ADVANTAGED TOTAL RETURN STRATEGY FUND

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**ANNUAL REPORT OF PROXY VOTING RECORD OF
REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY**

Investment Company Act file number 811-21471

Nuveen Tax - Advantaged Total Return Strategy Fund

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Gifford R. Zimmerman Chief Administrative Officer

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 312-917-7700

Date of fiscal year-end: December 31

Date of reporting period: June 30, 2010

Item 1. Proxy Voting Record

Nuveen Tax-Advantaged Total Return Strategy Fund

NWQ Sleeve

Merck & Co., Inc.

Ticker:	MRK	CUSIP	589331107
Meeting Date	07-Aug-09	Meeting Type	Special

			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Approve Acquisition	For	For

CA, Inc.

Ticker:	CA	CUSIP	12673P105
Meeting Date	14-Sep-09	Meeting Type	Annual

			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director Raymond J. Bromark	For	For
2	Elect Director Gary J. Fernandes	For	For
3	Elect Director Kay Koplovitz	For	For
4	Elect Director Christopher B. Lofgren	For	For
5	Elect Director William E. McCracken	For	For
6	Elect Director John A. Swainson	For	For
7	Elect Director Laura S. Unger	For	For
8	Elect Director Arthur F. Weinbach	For	For
9	Elect Director Renato (Ron) Zambonini	For	For
10	Ratify Auditors	For	For
11	Amend Executive Bonus Program	Against	For

Frontier Communications Corp.

Ticker:	FTR	CUSIP	35906A108
Meeting Date	27-Oct-09	Meeting Type	Special

			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Approve Merger Agreement	For	For

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2	Increase Authorized Common Stock	For	For
3	Issue Shares in Connection with Acquisition	For	For

Microsoft Corporation

Ticker:	MSFT	CUSIP	594918104
Meeting Date	19-Nov-09	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director William H. Gates, III	For	For
2	Elect Director Steven A. Ballmer	For	For
3	Elect Director Dina Dublon	For	For
4	Elect Director Raymond V. Gilmartin	For	For
5	Elect Director Reed Hastings	For	For
6	Elect Director Maria Klawe	For	For
7	Elect Director David F. Marquardt	For	For
8	Elect Director Charles H. Noski	For	For
9	Elect Director Helmut Panke	For	For
10	Ratify Auditors	For	For
11	Permit Right to Call Special Meeting	For	For
12	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	For	For
13	Adopt Principles for Health Care Reform	Against	Against
14	Report on Charitable Contributions	Against	Against

Pitney Bowes International Holdings Inc.

Ticker:	N/A	CUSIP	724481866
Meeting Date	14-Dec-09	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect Director H. Harrison Kephart, Jr	For	
1.2	Elect Director Mark J. Gentile	For	
2	Ratify Auditors	For	

EDP-Energias de Portugal S.A

Ticker:	N/A	CUSIP	X67925119
Meeting Date	16-Apr-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Meeting for ADR Holders		
1	Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports for Fiscal 2009	For	For
2	Approve Allocation of Income and Dividends	For	For
3	Approve Discharge of Management and Supervisory Board	For	For

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4	Authorize Repurchase and Reissuance of Shares	For	Against
5	Authorize Repurchase and Reissuance of Debt Instruments	For	For
6	Approve Remuneration Report Issued by Remuneration Committee for the Executive Directors	For	Against
7	Approve Remuneration Report Issued by Remuneration Committee for the Corporate Bodies	For	Against
8	Elect Supervisory Board Member	None	Against

Citigroup Inc.

Ticker: C **CUSIP** 172967101
Meeting Date 20-Apr-10 **Meeting Type** Annual

			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director Alain J.P. Belda	For	For
2	Elect Director Timothy C. Collins	For	For
3	Elect Director Jerry A. Grundhofer	For	For
4	Elect Director Robert L. Joss	For	For
5	Elect Director Andrew N. Liveris	For	For
6	Elect Director Michael E. O'Neill	For	For
7	Elect Director Vikram S. Pandit	For	For
8	Elect Director Richard D. Parsons	For	For
9	Elect Director Lawrence R. Ricciardi	For	For
10	Elect Director Judith Rodin	For	For
11	Elect Director Robert L. Ryan	For	For
12	Elect Director Anthony M. Santomero	For	For
13	Elect Director Diana L. Taylor	For	For
14	Elect Director William S. Thompson, Jr.	For	For
15	Elect Director Ernesto Zedillo	For	For
16	Ratify Auditors	For	For
17	Amend Omnibus Stock Plan	For	For
18	Amend Omnibus Stock Plan	For	For
19	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	For	For
20	Amend NOL Rights Plan (NOL Pill)	For	For
21	Approve Reverse Stock Split	For	For
22	Affirm Political Non-Partisanship	Against	Against
23	Report on Political Contributions	Against	For
24	Report on Collateral in Derivatives Trading	Against	For
25	Amend Articles/Bylaws/Charter Call Special Meetings	Against	For
26	Stock Retention/Holding Period	Against	For
27	Reimburse Expenses Incurred by Stockholder in Contested Election of Directors	Against	For

Lockheed Martin Corporation

Ticker: LMT **CUSIP** 539830109
Meeting Date 22-Apr-10 **Meeting Type** Annual

			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director E. C. Pete Aldrige, Jr.	For	For
2	Elect Director Nolan D. Archibald	For	For

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3	Elect Director David B. Burritt	For	For
4	Elect Director James O. Ellis, Jr.	For	For
5	Elect Director Gwendolyn S. King	For	For
6	Elect Director James M. Loy	For	For
7	Elect Director Douglas H. McCorkindale	For	For
8	Elect Director Joseph W. Ralston	For	For
9	Elect Director James Schneider	For	For
10	Elect Director Anne Stevens	For	For
11	Elect Director Robert J. Stevens	For	For
12	Ratify Auditors	For	For
13	Report on Space-based Weapons Program	Against	Against

Pfizer Inc.

Ticker:	PFE	CUSIP	717081103
Meeting Date	22-Apr-10	Meeting Type	Annual

		Vote	
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director Dennis A. Ausiello	For	For
2	Elect Director Michael S. Brown	For	For
3	Elect Director M. Anthony Burns	For	For
4	Elect Director Robert N. Burt	For	For
5	Elect Director W. Don Cornwell	For	For
6	Elect Director Frances D. Fergusson	For	For
7	Elect Director William H. Gray III	For	For
8	Elect Director Constance J. Horner	For	For
9	Elect Director James M. Kilts	For	For
10	Elect Director Jeffrey B. Kindler	For	For
11	Elect Director George A. Lorch	For	For
12	Elect Director John P. Mascotte	For	For
13	Elect Director Suzanne Nora Johnson	For	For
14	Elect Director Stephen W. Sanger	For	For
15	Elect Director William C. Steere, Jr.	For	For
16	Ratify Auditors	For	For
17	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	For	For
18	Provide Right to Call Special Meeting	For	For
19	Prohibit Executive Stock-Based Awards	Against	Against

MetLife, Inc.

Ticker:	MET	CUSIP	59156R108
Meeting Date	27-Apr-10	Meeting Type	Annual

		Vote	
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect Director R. Glenn Hubbard, Ph.D	For	For
1.2	Elect Director Alfred F. Kelly, Jr.	For	For
1.3	Elect Director James M. Kilts	For	For
1.4	Elect Director David Satcher, M.D., Ph.D.	For	For
2	Ratify Auditors	For	For
3	Provide for Cumulative Voting	Against	For

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Wells Fargo & Company

Ticker:	WFC	CUSIP	949746101
Meeting Date	27-Apr-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Election Director John D. Baker II	For	For
2	Election Director John S. Chen	For	For
3	Election Director Lloyd H. Dean	For	For
4	Election Director Susan E. Engel	For	For
5	Election Director Enrique Hernandez, Jr.	For	For
6	Election Director Donald M. James	For	For
7	Election Director Richard D. McCormick	For	For
8	Election Director Mackey J. McDonald	For	For
9	Election Director Cynthia H. Milligan	For	For
10	Elect Director Nicholas G. Moore	For	For
11	Elect Director Philip J. Quigley	For	Against
12	Elect Director Judith M. Runstad	For	For
13	Elect Director Stephen W. Sanger	For	For
14	Elect Director Robert K. Steel	For	For
15	Elect Director John G. Stumpf	For	For
16	Elect Director an G. Swenson	For	For
17	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	For	Against
18	Increase Authorized Common Stock	For	For
19	Ratify Auditors	For	For
20	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	Against	For
21	Require Independent Board Chairman	Against	For
22	Report on Charitable Contributions	Against	Against
23	Report on Political Contributions	Against	For

Barrick Gold Corp.

Ticker:	ABX	CUSIP	067901108
Meeting Date	28-Apr-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect H.L. Beck as Director	For	For
1.2	Elect C.W.D. Birchall as Director	For	For
1.3	Elect D.J. Carty as Director	For	For
1.4	Elect G.Cisneros as Director	For	For
1.5	Elect M.A. Cohen as Director	For	For
1.6	Elect P.A. Cossgrove as Director	For	For
1.7	Elect R.M. Franklin as Director	For	For
1.8	Elect J.B. Harvey as Director	For	For
1.9	Elect B. Mulrone as Director	For	For
1.10	Elect A. Munk as Director	For	For
1.11	Elect P. Munk as Director	For	For
1.12	Elect A.W. Regent as Director	For	For
1.13	Elect N.P. Rothschild as Director	For	For

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1.14	Elect S.J. Shaprio as Director	For	For
2	Approve PricewaterhouseCoppers LLP as Auditors and Authorize Board to Fix Their Remuneration	For	For
3	Advisory Vote on Executive Compensation Approach	For	For

General Electric Company

Ticker:	GE	CUSIP	369604103
Meeting Date	28-Apr-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director W. Geoffrey Beattie	For	For
2	Elect Director James I. Cash, Jr.	For	For
3	Elect Director William M. Castell	For	For
4	Elect Director Ann M. Fudge	For	For
5	Elect Director Susan Hockfield	For	For
6	Elect Director Jeffrey R. Immelt	For	For
7	Elect Director Andrea Jung	For	For
8	Elect Director Alan G. (A.G.) Lafley	For	For
9	Elect Director Robert W. Lane	For	For
10	Elect Director Ralph S. Larsen	For	For
11	Elect Director Rochelle B. Lazarus	For	For
12	Elect Director James J. Mulva	For	For
13	Elect Director Sam Nunn	For	For
14	Elect Director Roger S. Penske	For	For
15	Elect Director Robert J. Swieringa	For	For
16	Elect Director Douglas A. Warner III	For	For
17	Ratify Auditors	For	For
18	Provide for Cumulative Voting	Against	For
19	Amend Articles/Bylaws/Charter Call Special Meetings	Against	For
20	Require Independent Board Chairman	Against	For
21	Report on Pay Disparity	Against	Against
22	Adopt Policy Prohibiting Certain Directors from Serving on Key Board Committees	Against	Against
23	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	Against	For

Kimberly-Clark Corporation

Ticker:	KMB	CUSIP	494368103
Meeting Date	29-Apr-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director John R. Alm	For	For
2	Elect Director Dennis R. Beresford	For	For
3	Elect Director John F. Bergstrom	For	For
4	Elect Director Abelardo E. Bru	For	For
5	Elect Director Robert W. Decherd	For	For
6	Elect Director Thomas J. Falk	For	For
7	Elect Director Mae C. Jemison, M.D.	For	For
8	Elect Director James M. Jenness	For	For
9	Elect Director Ian C. Read	For	For

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10	Elect Director Linda Johnson Rice	For	For
11	Elect Director Marc J. Shapiro	For	For
12	Elect Director G. Craig Sullivan	For	For
13	Ratification Of Auditors	For	For
14	Amend Articles/Bylaws/Charter Call Special Meetings	Against	Against

AT&T Inc.

Ticker:	T	CUSIP	00206R102
Meeting Date	30-Apr-10	Meeting Type	Annual

		Management Recommendation	Vote Instruction
1	Elect Director Randall L. Stephenson	For	For
2	Elect Director Gilbert F. Amelio	For	For
3	Elect Director Reuben V. Anderson	For	For
4	Elect Director James H. Blanchard	For	For
5	Elect Director Jaime Chico Pardo	For	For
6	Elect Director James P. Kelly	For	For
7	Elect Director Jon C. Madonna	For	For
8	Elect Director Lynn M. Martin	For	For
9	Elect Director John B. McCoy	For	For
10	Elect Director Joyce M. Roche	For	For
11	Elect Director Laura D Andrea Tyson	For	For
12	Elect Director Patricia P. Upton	For	For
13	Ratify Auditors	For	For
14	Provide for Cumulative Voting	Against	For
15	Exclude Pension Credits from Calculations of Performance-Based Pay	Against	For
16	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	Against	For
17	Amend Articles/Bylaws/Charter Call Special Meetings	Against	Against

Motorola, Inc.

Ticker:	MOT	CUSIP	620076109
Meeting Date	03-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual

		Management Recommendation	Vote Instruction
1	Elect Director Gregory Q. Brown	For	For
2	Elect Director David W. Dorman	For	For
3	Elect Director William R. Hambrecht	For	For
4	Elect Director Sanjay K. Jha	For	For
5	Elect Director Keith A. Meister	For	For
6	Elect Director Thomas J. Meredith	For	For
7	Elect Director Samuel C. Scott III	For	For
8	Elect Director James R. Stengel	For	For
9	Elect Director Anthony J. Vinciguerra	For	For
10	Elect Director Douglas A. Warner III	For	For
11	Elect Director John A. White	For	For
12	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	For	Against
13	Ratify Auditors	For	For
14	Amend Human Rights Policies	Against	Against

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15 Reincorporate in Another State [from Delaware to North Dakota] Against Against

Trinity Industries, Inc.

Ticker:	TRN	CUSIP	896522109
Meeting Date	03-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
		Vote	
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect Director John L. Adams	For	For
1.2	Elect Director Rhys J. Best	For	For
1.3	Elect Director David W. Biegler	For	For
1.4	Elect Director Leldon E. Echols	For	For
1.5	Elect Director Ronald J. Gafford	For	For
1.6	Elect Director Ronald W. Haddock	For	For
1.7	Elect Director Jess T. Hay	For	Withhold
1.8	Elect Director Adrian Lajous	For	For
1.9	Elect Director Charles W. Matthews	For	For
1.10	Elect Director Diana S. Natalicio	For	For
1.11	Elect Director Timothy R. Wallace	For	For
2	Amend Omnibus Stock Plan	For	For
3	Ratify Auditors	For	For

The Travelers Companies, Inc.

Ticker:	TRV	CUSIP	89417E109
Meeting Date	04-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
		Vote	
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect Director Alan L. Beller	For	For
1.2	Elect Director John H. Dasburg	For	For
1.3	Elect Director Janet M. Dolan	For	For
1.4	Elect Director Kenneth M. Duberstein	For	For
1.5	Elect Director Jay S. Fishman	For	For
1.6	Elect Director Lawrence G. Graev	For	For
1.7	Elect Director Patricia L. Higgins	For	For
1.8	Elect Director Thomas R. Hodgson	For	For
1.9	Elect Director Cleve L. Killingsworth, Jr.	For	For
1.10	Elect Director Blythe J. McGarvie	For	For
1.11	Elect Director Donald J. Shepard	For	For
1.12	Elect Director Laurie J. Thomsen	For	For
2	Ratify Auditors	For	For

GlaxoSmithKline plc

Ticker:	N/A	CUSIP	G3910J112
Meeting Date	06-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual

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		Management Recommendation	Vote Instruction
	Meeting for ADR Holders		
1	To Receive And Adopt The Directors Report And The Financial statements	For	For
2	To Approve The Remuneration Report	For	For
3	To Re-elect Dr Stephanie Burns As A Director	For	For
4	To Re-elect Mr Julian Heslop As A Director	For	For
5	To Re-elect Sir Deryck Maughan As A Director	For	For
6	To Re-elect Dr Daniel Podolsky As A Director	For	For
7	To Re-elect Sir Robert Wilson As A Director	For	For
8	Re-appointment Of Auditors	For	For
9	Remuneration Of Auditors	For	For
10	To Authorise The Company And Its Subsidiaries To Make Donations to Political Organisations And Incur Political Expenditure	For	For
11	Authority To Allot Shares	For	For
12	Disapplication Of Pre-emption Rights	For	For
13	Authority For The Company To Purchase Its Own Shares	For	For
14	Exemption From Statement Of Senior Statutory Auditor s Name	For	For
15	Reduced Notice Of A General Meeting Other Than An Agm	For	For
16	Adopt New Articles Of Association	For	For

Union Pacific Corporation

Ticker: UNP **CUSIP** 907818108
Meeting Date 06-May-10 **Meeting Type** Annual

		Management Recommendation	Vote Instruction
1	Elect Director Andrew H. Card, Jr.	For	For
2	Elect Director Erroll B. Davis, Jr.	For	For
3	Elect Director Thomas J. Donohue	For	For
4	Elect Director Archie W. Dunham	For	For
5	Elect Director Judith Richards Hope	For	For
6	Elect Director Charles C. Krulak	For	For
7	Elect Director Michael R. McCarthy	For	For
8	Elect Director Michael W. McConnell	For	For
9	Elect Director Thomas F. McLarty III	For	For
10	Elect Director Steven R. Rogel	For	For
11	Elect Director Jose H. Villarreal	For	For
12	Elect Director James R. Young	For	For
13	Ratify Auditors	For	For
14	Require Independent Board Chairman	Against	Against
15	Reduce Supermajority Vote Requirement	Against	For

Verizon Communications Inc.

Ticker: VZ **CUSIP** 92343V104
Meeting Date 06-May-10 **Meeting Type** Annual

Management Recommendation **Vote**

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			Instruction
1	Elect Director Richard L. Carrion	For	For
2	Elect Director M. Frances Keeth	For	For
3	Elect Director Robert W. Lane	For	For
4	Elect Director Sandra O. Moose	For	For
5	Elect Director Joseph Neubauer	For	For
6	Elect Director Donald T. Nicolaisen	For	For
7	Elect Director Thomas H. O'Brien	For	For
8	Elect Director Clarence Otis, Jr.	For	For
9	Elect Director Hugh B. Price	For	For
10	Elect Director Ivan G. Seidenberg	For	For
11	Elect Director Rodney E. Slater	For	For
12	Elect Director John W. Snow	For	For
13	Elect Director John R. Stafford	For	For
14	Ratify Auditors	For	For
15	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers' Compensation	For	For
16	Prohibit Executive Stock-Based Awards	Against	Against
17	Amend EEO Policy to Prohibit Discrimination Based on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity	Against	For
18	Performance-Based Equity Awards	Against	For
19	Amend Articles/Bylaws/Charter - Call Special Meetings	Against	Against
20	Adopt Policy on Succession Planning	Against	For
21	Adopt a Policy in which the Company will not Make or Promise to Make Any Death Benefit Payments to Senior Executives	Against	For
22	Stock Retention/Holding Period	Against	For

AngloGold Ashanti Ltd

Ticker:	N/A	CUSIP	S04255196
Meeting Date	07-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual

			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Meeting for ADR Holders		
1	Accept Financial Statements and Statutory Reports for Year Ended 31 December 2009	For	For
2	Reappoint Ernst & Young Inc as Auditors of the Company	For	For
3	Re-elect Frank Arisman as Director	For	For
4	Re-elect Wiseman Nkuhlu as Director	For	For
5	Reappoint Frank Arisman as Member of the Audit and Corporate Governance Committee	For	For
6	Reappoint Wiseman Nkuhlu as Member of the Audit and Corporate Governance Committee	For	For
7	Place Authorised But Unissued Shares under Control of Directors	For	For
8	Authorise Board to Issue Shares for Cash up to a Maximum of 5 Percent of Issued Share Capital	For	For
9	Authorise Issue of Convertible Securities	For	For
10	Approve Increase in Non-executive Directors' Fees	For	For
11	Approve Increase in Non-executive Directors' Fees for Board Committee Meetings	For	For
12	Amend Share Incentive Scheme	For	For
13	Amend Long Term Incentive Plan 2005	For	For
14	Amend Bonus Share Plan 2005	For	For
15	Authorise the Directors to Issue Ordinary Shares for the Purposes of the Incentive Scheme	For	For
16	Approve Remuneration Policy	For	For
17	Authorise Repurchase of Up to 5 Percent of Issued Share Capital	For	For

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Pitney Bowes Inc.

Ticker:	PBI	CUSIP	724479100
Meeting Date	10-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director Linda G. Alvarado	For	For
2	Elect Director Ernie Green	For	For
3	Elect Director John S. McFarlane	For	For
4	Elect Director Eduardo R. Menasce	For	For
5	Ratify Auditors	For	For
6	Declassify the Board of Directors	For	For
7	Reduce Supermajority Vote Requirement	Against	For

Loews Corporation

Ticker:	L	CUSIP	540424108
Meeting Date	11-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director Ann E. Berman	For	For
2	Elect Director Joseph L. Bower	For	For
3	Elect Director Charles M. Diker	For	For
4	Elect Director Jacob A. Frenkel	For	For
5	Elect Director Paul J. Fribourg	For	For
6	Elect Director Walter L. Harris	For	Against
7	Elect Director Philip A. Laskawy	For	For
8	Elect Director Ken Miller	For	For
9	Elect Director Gloria R. Scott	For	For
10	Elect Director Andrew H. Tisch	For	For
11	Elect Director James S. Tisch	For	For
12	Elect Director Jonathan M. Tisch	For	For
13	Ratify Auditors	For	For
14	Provide for Cumulative Voting	Against	For

Packaging Corporation of America

Ticker:	PKG	CUSIP	695156109
Meeting Date	11-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect Director Cheryl K. Beebe	For	For
1.2	Elect Director Henry F. Frigon	For	For
1.3	Elect Director Hasan Jameel	For	For
1.4	Elect Director Samuel M. Mencoff	For	For
1.5	Elect Director Roger B. Porter	For	For

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1.6	Elect Director Paul T. Stecko	For	For
1.7	Elect Director James D. Woodrum	For	For
2	Ratify Auditors	For	For
3	Approve Executive Incentive Bonus Plan	For	For

ConocoPhillips

Ticker:	COP	CUSIP	20825C104
Meeting Date	12-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual

		Management Recommendation	Vote Instruction
1.1	Elect Director Richard L. Armitage	For	For
1.2	Elect Director Richard H. Auchinleck	For	For
1.3	Elect Director James E. Copeland, Jr.	For	For
1.4	Elect Director Kenneth M. Duberstein	For	For
1.5	Elect Director Ruth R. Harkin	For	For
1.6	Elect Director Harold W. McGraw III	For	For
1.7	Elect Director James J. Mulva	For	For
1.8	Elect Director Robert A. Niblock	For	For
1.9	Elect Director Harald J. Norvik	For	For
1.10	Elect Director William K. Reilly	For	For
1.11	Elect Director Bobby S. Shackouls	For	For
1.12	Elect Director Victoria J. Tschinkel	For	For
1.13	Elect Director Kathryn C. Turner	For	For
1.14	Elect Director William E. Wade, Jr.	For	For
2	Ratify Auditors	For	For
3	Report on Board Risk Management Oversight	Against	Against
4	Adopt Quantitative GHG Goals for Products and Operations	Against	Against
5	Report on Environmental Impact of Oil Sands Operations in Canada	Against	Against
6	Adopt Policy to Address Coastal Louisiana Environmental Impacts	Against	Against
7	Report on Financial Risks of Climate Change	Against	Against
8	Adopt Goals to Reduce Emission of TRI Chemicals	Against	Against
9	Amend EEO Policy to Prohibit Discrimination Based on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity	Against	Against
10	Report on Political Contributions	Against	Against

Genworth Financial, Inc.

Ticker:	GNW	CUSIP	37247D106
Meeting Date	12-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual

		Management Recommendation	Vote Instruction
1	Elect Director Steven W. Alesio	For	For
2	Elect Director Michael D. Fraizer	For	For
3	Elect Director Nancy J. Karch	For	For
4	Elect Director J. Robert Bob Kerrey	For	For
5	Elect Director Risa J. Lavizzo-Mourey	For	For
6	Elect Director Christine B. Mead	For	For
7	Elect Director Thomas E. Moloney	For	For
8	Elect Director James A. Parke	For	For

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9	Elect Director James S. Riepe	For	For
10	Amend Omnibus Stock Plan	For	For
11	Ratify Auditors	For	For

Philip Morris International Inc.

Ticker:	PM	CUSIP	718172109
Meeting Date	12-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director Harold Brown	For	For
2	Elect Director Mathis Cabiallavetta	For	For
3	Elect Director Louis C. Camilleri	For	For
4	Elect Director J. Dudley Fishburn	For	For
5	Elect Director Jennifer Li	For	For
6	Elect Director Graham Mackay	For	For
7	Elect Director Sergio Marchionne	For	For
8	Elect Director Lucio A. Noto	For	For
9	Elect Director Carlos Slim Helu	For	For
10	Elect Director Stephen M. Wolf	For	For
11	Ratify Auditors	For	For
12	Report on Effect of Marketing Practices on the Poor	Against	Against
13	Establish Supplier Human Rights Purchasing Protocols	Against	Against

Symetra Financial Corporation

Ticker:	SYA	CUSIP	87151Q106
Meeting Date	12-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect Director Lois W. Grady	For	Withhold
1.2	Elect Director David T. Foy	For	For
1.3	Elect Director Randall H. Talbot	For	For
2	Ratify Auditors	For	For

Frontier Communications Corporation

Ticker:	FTR	CUSIP	35906A108
Meeting Date	13-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect Director Leroy T. Barnes, Jr.	For	For
1.2	Elect Director Peter C.B. Bynoe	For	For

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1.3	Elect Director Jeri B. Finard	For	For
1.4	Elect Director Lawton Wehle Fitt	For	For
1.5	Elect Director William M. Kraus	For	For
1.6	Elect Director Howard L. Schrott	For	For
1.7	Elect Director Lorraine D. Segil	For	For
1.8	Elect Director David H. Ward	For	For
1.9	Elect Director Myron A. Wick, III	For	For
1.10	Elect Director Mary Agnes Wilderotter	For	For
2	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	For	Against
3	Stock Retention/Holding Period	Against	For
4	Ratify Auditors	For	For

Sanofi Aventis

Ticker:	N/A	CUSIP	F5548N101
Meeting Date	17-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual/Special
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
	Meeting for ADR Holders		
	Ordinary Business		
1	Approve Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	For	For
2	Accept Consolidated Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	For	For
3	Approve Allocation of Income and Dividends of EUR 2.40 per Share	For	For
4	Receive Auditors Special Report Mentioning the Absence of New Related-Party Transactions	For	For
5	Ratify Appointment of Serge Weinberg as Director	For	For
6	Elect Catherine Brechignac as Director	For	For
7	Reelect Robert Castaigne as Director	For	For
8	Reelect Lord Douro as Director	For	For
10	Reelect Christopher Viehbacher as Director	For	For
11	Authorize Repurchase of Up to 10 Percent of Issued Share Capital Special Business	For	For
12	Amend Articles 11 of Bylaws Re: Shareholding Requirements and Length of Term for Directors		
13	Authorize Filing of Required Documents/Other Formalities	For	For

JPMorgan Chase & Co.

Ticker:	JPM	CUSIP	46625h100
Meeting Date	18-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect Director Crandall C. Bowles	For	For
1.2	Elect Director Stephen B. Burke	For	For
1.3	Elect Director David M. Cote	For	For
1.4	Elect Director James S. Crown	For	For
1.5	Elect Director James Dimon	For	For
1.6	Elect Director Ellen V. Futter	For	For
1.7	Elect Director William H. Gray, III	For	For
1.8	Elect Director Laban P. Jackson, Jr.	For	For

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1.9	Elect Director David C. Novak	For	For
1.10	Elect Director Lee R. Raymond	For	For
1.11	Elect Director William C. Weldon	For	For
2	Ratify Auditors	For	For
3	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	For	For
4	Affirm Political Non-Partisanship	Against	Against
5	Amend Bylaws Call Special Meetings	Against	For
6	Report on Collateral in Derivatives Trading	Against	For
7	Provide Right to Act by Written Consent	Against	For
8	Require Independent Board Chairman	Against	For
9	Report on Pay Disparity	Against	Against
10	Stock Retention/Holding Period	Against	For

The Hartford Financial Services Group, Inc.

Ticker:	HIG	CUSIP	416515104
Meeting Date	19-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director Robert B. Allardice, III	For	For
2	Elect Director Trevor Fetter	For	For
3	Elect Director Paul G. Kirk, Jr.	For	For
4	Elect Director Liam E. McGee	For	For
5	Elect Director Gail J. McGovern	For	For
6	Elect Director Michael G. Morris	For	For
7	Elect Director Thomas A. Renyi	For	For
8	Elect Director Charles B. Strauss	For	For
9	Elect Director H. Patrick Swygert	For	For
10	Ratify Auditors	For	For
11	Approve Omnibus Stock Plan	For	For
12	Amend Executive Incentive Bonus Plan	For	For
13	Reimburse Proxy Contest Expenses	Against	For

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Ticker:	N/A	CUSIP	F92124100
Meeting Date	21-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual/Special
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
	Meeting for ADR Holders		
	Ordinary Business		
1	Approve Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	For	For
2	Accept Consolidated Financial Statements and Statutory Reports	For	For
3	Approve Allocation of Income and Dividends of EUR 2.28 per Share	For	For
4	Approve Auditors Special Report Regarding Related-Party Transactions	For	For
5	Approve Transaction with Christophe de Margerie Re: Severance Payment	For	Against
6	Authorize Repurchase of Up to 10 Percent of Issued Share Capital	For	For
7	Reelect Thierry Desmarest as Director	For	For
8	Reelect Thierry de Rudder as Director	For	Against
9	Elect Gunnar Brock as Director	For	For

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10	Elect Claude Clement as Representative of Employee Shareholders to the Board	For	For
11	Elect Philippe Marchandise as Representative of Employee Share holders to the Board	Against	For
12	Elect Mohammed Zaki as Representative of Employee Shareholders to the Board	Against	For
13	Reelect Ernst & Young Audit as Auditor	For	For
14	Reelect KPMG Audit as Auditor	For	For
15	Ratify Auditex as Alternate Auditor	For	For
16	Ratify KPMG Audit I.S. as Alternate Auditor Special Business	For	For
17	Authorize Issuance of Equity or Equity-Linked Securities with Preemptive Rights up to Aggregate Nominal Amount of EUR 2.5 Billion	For	For
18	Authorize Issuance of Equity or Equity-Linked Securities without Preemptive Rights up to Aggregate Nominal Amount of EUR 850 million	For	For
19	Authorize Capital Increase of up to 10 Percent of Issued Capital for Future Acquisitions	For	For
20	Approve Employee Stock Purchase Plan	For	For
21	Authorize up to 0.1 Percent of Issued Capital for Use in Stock Option Plan	For	For
	Employee Shareholder Proposals	Against	Against
A	Amend Article 9 of Bylaws Re: Mutual Fund		

Merck & Co., Inc.

Ticker:	MRK	CUSIP	58933Y105
Meeting Date	25-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director Leslie A. Brun	For	For
2	Elect Director Thomas R. Cech	For	For
3	Elect Director Richard T. Clark	For	For
4	Elect Director Thomas H. Glocer	For	For
5	Elect Director Steven F. Goldstone	For	For
6	Elect Director William B. Harrison, Jr.	For	For
7	Elect Director Harry R. Jacobson	For	For
8	Elect Director William N. Kelley	For	For
9	Elect Director C. Robert Kidder	For	For
10	Elect Director Rochelle B. Lazarus	For	For
11	Elect Director Carlos E. Represas	For	For
12	Elect Director Patricia F. Russo	For	For
13	Elect Director Thomas E. Shenk	For	For
14	Elect Director Anne M. Tatlock	For	For
15	Elect Director Craig B. Thompson	For	For
16	Elect Director Wendell P. Weeks	For	For
17	Elect Director Peter C. Wendell	For	For
18	Ratify Auditors	For	For
19	Approve Omnibus Stock Plan	For	Against
20	Approve Non-Employee Director Omnibus Stock Plan	For	Against

Exxon Mobil Corporation

Ticker:	XOM	CUSIP	30231G102
Meeting Date	26-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote

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		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect Director M.J. Boskin	For	For
1.2	Elect Director P. Brabeck-Letmathe	For	For
1.3	Elect Director L.R. Faulkner	For	For
1.4	Elect Director J.S. Fishman	For	For
1.5	Elect Director K.C. Frazier	For	For
1.6	Elect Director W.W. George	For	For
1.7	Elect Director M.C. Nelson	For	For
1.8	Elect Director S.J. Palmisano	For	For
1.9	Elect Director S.C. Reinemund	For	For
1.10	Elect Director R.W. Tillerson	For	For
1.11	Elect Director E.E. Whitacre, Jr.	For	For
2	Ratify Auditors	For	For
3	Amend Articles/Bylaws/Charter Call Special Meetings	Against	For
4	Reincorporate in Another State [from New Jersey to North Dakota]	Against	Against
5	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	Against	For
6	Amend EEO Policy to Prohibit Discrimination based on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity	Against	Against
7	Adopt Policy on Human Right to Water	Against	Against
8	Adopt Policy to Address Coastal Louisiana Environmental Impacts	Against	Against
9	Report on Environmental Impact of Oil Sands Operations in Canada	Against	Against
10	Report on Environmental Impacts of Natural Gas Fracturing	Against	Against
11	Report on Energy Technologies Development	Against	Against
12	Adopt Quantitative GHG Goals from Products and Operations	Against	Against
13	Report on Risks of Alternative Long-term Fossil Fuel Demand Estimates	Against	Against

Raytheon Company

Ticker:	RTN	CUSIP	755111507
Meeting Date	27-May-10	Meeting Type	Annual
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director Vernon E. Clark	For	For
2	Elect Director John M. Deutch	For	For
3	Elect Director Stephen J. Hadley	For	For
4	Elect Director Frederic M. Poses	For	For
5	Elect Director Michael C. Ruettgers	For	For
6	Elect Director Ronald L. Skates	For	For
7	Elect Director William R. Spivey	For	For
8	Elect Director Linda G. Stuntz	For	For
9	Elect Director William H. Swanson	For	For
10	Ratify Auditors	For	For
11	Provide Right to Call Special Meeting	For	For
12	Approve Omnibus Stock Plan	For	For
13	Advisory Vote to Ratify Named Executive Officers Compensation	Against	For
14	Submit SERP to Shareholder Vote	Against	For
15	Provide Right to Act by Written Consent	Against	Against

Ingersoll-Rand plc

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Ticker:	IR	CUSIP	G47791101
Meeting Date	03-Jun-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1a	Elect Ann Berzin as Director	For	For
1b	Elect John Bruton as Director	For	For
1c	Elect Jared Cohon as Director	For	For
1d	Elect Gary Forsee as Director	For	For
1e	Elect Peter Godsoe as Director	For	For
1f	Elect Edward Hagenlocker as Director	For	For
1g	Elect Constance Horner as Director	For	For
1h	Elect Michael Lamach as Director	For	For
1i	Elect Theodore Martin as Director	For	For
1j	Elect Orin Smith as Director	For	For
1k	Elect Richard Swift as Director	For	For
1l	Elect Tony White as Director	For	For
2	Approve an Advisory Proposal Relating to Executive Pay-For-Performance Compensation Policies and Procedures	For	For
3	Approve PricewaterhouseCoopers Auditors and Authorize Board to Fix Their Remuneration	For	For

Caterpillar Inc.

Ticker:	CAT	CUSIP	149123101
Meeting Date	09-Jun-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1.1	Elect Director John T. Dillon	For	For
1.2	Elect Director Juan Gallardo	For	For
1.3	Elect Director William A. Osborn	For	For
1.4	Elect Director Edward B. Rust, Jr.	For	For
1.5	Elect Director Susan C. Schwab	For	For
2	Ratify Auditors	For	For
3	Amend Omnibus Stock Plan	For	Against
4	Declassify the Board of Directors	For	For
5	Reduce Supermajority Vote Requirement	For	For
6	Require Independent Board Chairman	Against	Against
7	Amend Human Rights Policy	Against	For
8	Amend Articles/Bylaws/Charter Call Special Meetings	Against	For

Banco Santander S.A.

Ticker:	N/A	CUSIP	E19790109
Meeting Date	10-Jun-10	Meeting Type	Annual
			Vote
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
	Meeting for ADR Holders		

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1	Accept Individual and Consolidated Financial Statements and Statutory Reports and Discharge Directors for Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 2009	For	For
2	Approve Allocation of Income	For	For
3.1	Elect Angel Jado Becerro de Bengoa as Director	For	For
3.2	Re-elect Francisco Javier Botin-Sanz de Sautuola y O Shea as Director	For	For
3.3	Re-elect Isabel Tocino Biscarolasaga as Director	For	For
3.4	Re-elect Fernando de Asua Alvarez as Director	For	For
3.5	Re-elect Alfredo Saenz Abad	For	For
4	Reelect Auditors for Fiscal Year 2010	For	For
5	Authorize Repurchase of Shares in Accordance With Article 75 of Spanish Company Law; Void Authorization Granted on June 19, 2009	For	For
6	Authorize Issuance of Equity or Equity-Linked Securities without Preemptive Rights in Accordance to Article 153 1.a) of the Spanish Corporate Law; Void Authorization Granted at the AGM held on June 19, 2009	For	For
7.1	Authorize Increase in Capital through Bonus Share Issuance	For	For
7.2	Authorize Increase in Capital through Bonus Share Issuance	For	For
8	Grant Board Authorization to Issue Convertible and/or Exchangeable Debt Securities without Preemptive Rights	For	For
9.1	Approve Bundled Incentive Plans Linked to Performance Objectives	For	For
9.2	Approve Savings Plan for Santander UK PLC Employees and other Companies of Santander Group in the United Kingdom	For	For
10	Authorize Board to Ratify and Execute Approved Resolutions	For	For
11	Approve Director Remuneration Policy Report	For	For

The Kroger Co.

Ticker:	KR	CUSIP	501044101
Meeting Date	24-Jun-10	Meeting Type	Annual
		Vote	
		Management Recommendation	Instruction
1	Elect Director Reuben V. Anderson	For	For
2	Elect Director Robert D. Beyer	For	For
3	Elect Director David B. Dillon	For	For
4	Elect Director Susan J. Kropf	For	For
5	Elect Director John T. LaMacchia	For	For
6	Elect Director David B. Lewis	For	For
7	Elect Director W. Rodney McMullen	For	For
8	Elect Director Jorge P. Montoya	For	For
9	Elect Director Clyde R. Moore	For	For
10	Elect Director Susan M. Phillips	For	For
11	Elect Director Steven R. Rogel	For	For
12	Elect Director James A. Runde	For	For
13	Elect Director Ronald L. Sargent	For	For
14	Elect Director Bobby S. Shackouls	For	For
15	Adopt Majority Voting for Uncontested Election of Directors	For	For
16	Ratify Auditors	For	For
17	Report on Climate Change	Against	Against

SIGNATURES:

Pursuant to the requirements of the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Nuveen Tax - Advantaged Total Return Strategy Fund

By /s/ Gifford R. Zimmerman

Gifford R. Zimmerman Chief Administrative Officer

Date

August 26, 2010