

TORTOISE MLP FUND, INC.  
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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)

<p>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</p> <p>Â METROPOLITAN LIFE INSURANCE CO/NY</p> <p>(Last) (First) (Middle)</p> <p>10 PARK AVENUE,Â P.O. BOX 1902</p> <p>(Street)</p> <p>MORRISTOWN,Â NJÂ 07962</p> <p>(City) (State) (Zip)</p>	<p>2. Date of Event Requiring Statement</p> <p>(Month/Day/Year)</p> <p>10/07/2010</p>	<p>3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</p> <p>TORTOISE MLP FUND, INC. [NTG]</p>	<p>4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</p> <p>(Check all applicable)</p> <p>___ Director ___X___ 10% Owner                  ___ Officer ___ Other                  (give title below) (specify below)</p>	<p>5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)</p>	<p>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)</p> <p>__X__ Form filed by One Reporting Person                  ___ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</p>
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**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. <u>(1)</u>	\$ 16,667,000	D	Â
Tortoise MLP Fund, Inc. <u>(2)</u>	\$ 10,000,000	D	Â
Tortoise MLP Fund, Inc. <u>(3)</u>	\$ 5,333,000	D	Â
Tortoise MLP Fund, Inc. <u>(4)</u>	\$ 20,000,000	D	Â
Tortoise MLP Fund, Inc. <u>(5)</u>	\$ 11,333,000	D	Â

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

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