NuStar Energy L.P. Form 8-K July 25, 2014

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

FORM 8-K

**CURRENT REPORT** 

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 25, 2014

NuStar Energy L.P.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

001-16417 Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction

(Commission File Number) of incorporation)

74-2956831 (I.R.S. Employer

Identification No.)

19003 IH-10 West

San Antonio, Texas 78257

(Address of principal executive offices)

(210) 918-2000

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results Of Operations And Financial Condition.

On July 25, 2014, NuStar Energy L.P., a Delaware limited partnership, issued a press release announcing financial results for the quarter ended June 30, 2014. A copy of the press release announcing the financial results is furnished with this report as Exhibit 99.1, and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information in this report is being furnished, not filed, pursuant to Item 2.02 of Form 8-K. Accordingly, the information in this report, including the press release, will not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement filed by NuStar Energy L.P. under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, unless specifically identified therein as being incorporated therein by reference.

#### NON-GAAP FINANCIAL MEASURES

The press release announcing the earnings discloses certain financial measures, earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) from continuing operations, distributable cash flow (DCF) from continuing operations, and DCF from continuing operations per unit, that are non-GAAP financial measures as defined under SEC rules. The press release furnishes a reconciliation of these non-GAAP financial measures to their nearest GAAP financial measures. Management uses these financial measures because they are widely accepted financial indicators used by investors to compare partnership performance. In addition, management believes that these measures provide investors an enhanced perspective of the operating performance of the partnership's assets and the cash that the business is generating. None of EBITDA from continuing operations, DCF from continuing operations or DCF from continuing operations per unit is intended to represent cash flows from operations for the period, nor are they presented as an alternative to net income or income from continuing operations. They should not be considered in isolation or as substitutes for a measure of performance prepared in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number EXHIBIT

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated July 25, 2014.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### NUSTAR ENERGY L.P.

By: Riverwalk Logistics, L.P.

its general partner

By: NuStar GP, LLC

its general partner

Date: July 25, 2014 By: /s/ Amy L. Perry

Name: Amy L. Perry

Senior Vice President, General

Title: Counsel-Corporate &

Commercial Law and Corporate

Secretary

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