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)

Delaware

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-16417

(Commission File Number)

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:

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- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o 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.

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

Title: Senior Vice President, General Counsel-

Corporate & Commercial Law and

Corporate Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number EXHIBIT

Exhibit 99.1 Press Release dated July 25, 2014.

NuStar Energy Covers Quarterly Distribution for the First Time Since the Third Quarter of 2011

On Track to Cover Distribution for the Full Year 2014

Quarterly Results improved in all Three Operating Segments

17% increase in Quarterly Pipeline Throughput Volumes

SAN ANTONIO, July 25, 2014 - NuStar Energy L.P. (NYSE: NS) today announced second quarter 2014 distributable cash flow from continuing operations available to limited partners of \$93.6 million, or \$1.20 per unit, compared to 2013 second quarter distributable cash flow from continuing operations available to limited partners of \$56.8 million, or \$0.73 per unit. For the six months ended June 30, 2014, distributable cash flow from continuing operations available to limited partners was \$171.5 million, or \$2.20 per unit, compared to \$113.9 million, or \$1.46 per unit for the six months ended June 30, 2013.

Second quarter earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) from continuing operations was \$140.1 million compared to second quarter 2013 EBITDA of \$114.3 million. For the six months ended June 30, 2014, EBITDA was \$266.8 million, compared to \$208.5 million for the six months ended June 30, 2013.

The partnership reported second quarter net income applicable to limited partners of \$43.6 million, or \$0.56 per unit, compared to \$21.6 million, or \$0.28 per unit, earned in the second quarter of 2013. For the six months ended June 30, 2014, net income applicable to limited partners was \$71.7 million, or \$0.92 per unit, compared to net income applicable to limited partners of \$34.9 million, or \$0.45 per unit, for the six months ended June 30, 2013.

The partnership also announced that its board of directors has declared a second quarter 2014 distribution of \$1.095 per unit. The second quarter 2014 distribution will be paid on August 11, 2014, to holders of record as of August 6, 2014. Distributable cash flow from continuing operations available to limited partners covers the distribution to the limited partners by 1.10 times for the second quarter of 2014 and by 1.00 times for the six months ended June 30, 2014.

"All three of our operating segments continued to perform well in the second quarter," said Brad Barron, President and Chief Executive Officer of NuStar Energy L.P. and NuStar GP Holdings, LLC. "In May, we completed Phase 1 of our South Texas Crude Oil Pipeline expansion and set a new single-vessel loading record at our Corpus Christi North Beach Terminal, when we loaded over 750,000 barrels. These were significant milestones for us and contributed to improved results in both our pipeline and storage segments."

Barron went on to say, "Our coverage ratio in the second quarter was our highest since the third quarter of 2011 and was better than we initially projected. Higher than expected throughput volumes in both our pipeline and storage segments, as well as the deferral of some maintenance expenses and reliability capital spending to the back half of 2014 helped drive the coverage ratio to 1.10 times."

Internal Growth Project Update

Phase 2 of the South Texas Crude Oil Pipeline expansion is expected to come on line during the first quarter of 2015 and will allow for increased throughputs of up to 65,000 barrels per day. NuStar's 12-inch pipeline between Mont Belvieu and Corpus Christi, Texas began generating distributable cash flow in the second quarter and is expected to be in full NGL service in the second quarter of 2015, at which time it is expected to generate an incremental \$23 million in annual EBITDA, based on committed volumes.

2014 Earnings Guidance

"NuStar's third quarter EPU and EBITDA results as well as our coverage ratio should exceed last year's third quarter results. Similar to the second quarter, third quarter EBITDA results in our pipeline, storage and fuels marketing segments are all expected to be higher than last year's third quarter," said Barron.

"In regard to full year 2014 guidance, we still expect our pipeline segment EBITDA to be \$40 to \$60 million higher than 2013 and our storage segment adjusted EBITDA to be comparable to 2013. However, we now expect our fuels marketing segment to generate EBITDA in the range of \$20 to \$30 million. Based on these projections, we expect to cover our distributions for the full year 2014," Barron said.

Barron went on to say, "Our 2014 internal growth spending projections have been reduced slightly to reflect the deferral of spending on some of our key growth projects into 2015. Spending is now expected to be in the range of \$330 to \$350 million, the majority of which will be spent on projects in our pipeline segment."

Second Quarter 2014 Earnings Conference Call Details

A conference call with management is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. CT today, July 25, 2014, to discuss the financial and operational results for the second quarter of 2014. Investors interested in listening to the presentation may call 800/622-7620, passcode 63499232. International callers may access the presentation by dialing 706/645-0327, passcode 63499232. The company intends to have a playback available following the presentation, which may be accessed by calling 800/585-8367, passcode 63499232. International callers may access the playback by calling 404/537-3406, passcode 63499232.

Investors interested in listening to the live presentation or a replay via the internet may access the presentation directly by <u>clicking here</u> or by logging on to NuStar Energy L.P.'s Web site at <u>www.nustarenergy.com</u>.

NuStar Energy L.P., a publicly traded master limited partnership based in San Antonio, is one of the largest independent liquids terminal and pipeline operators in the nation. NuStar currently has 8,643 miles of pipeline and 84 terminal and storage facilities that store and distribute crude oil, refined products and specialty liquids. The partnership's combined system has approximately 92 million barrels of storage capacity, and NuStar has operations in the United States, Canada, Mexico, the Netherlands, including St. Eustatius in the Caribbean, the United Kingdom and Turkey. For more information, visit NuStar Energy L.P.'s Web site at www.nustarenergy.com.

This release serves as qualified notice to nominees under Treasury Regulation Sections 1.1446-4(b)(4) and (d). Please note that 100% of NuStar's distributions to foreign investors are attributable to income that is effectively connected with a United States trade or business. Accordingly, all of NuStar's distributions to foreign investors are subject to federal income tax withholding at the highest effective tax rate for individuals and corporations, as applicable. Nominees, and not NuStar, are treated as the withholding agents responsible for withholding on the distributions received by them on behalf of foreign investors.

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This press release includes forward-looking statements regarding future events. All forward-looking statements are based on the partnership and company's beliefs as well as assumptions made by and information currently available to the partnership and company. These statements reflect the partnership and company's current views with respect to future events and are subject to various risks, uncertainties and assumptions. These risks, uncertainties and assumptions are discussed in NuStar Energy L.P. and NuStar GP Holdings, LLC's 2013 annual reports on Form 10-K and subsequent filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

NuStar Energy L.P. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Financial Information (Unaudited, Thousands of Dollars, Except Unit and Per Unit Data)

		Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,			
		2014		2013		2014		2013	
Statement of Income Data:									
Revenues:									
Service revenues	\$	259,562	\$	231,451	\$	488,900	\$	457,210	
Product sales		490,183		670,563		1,110,058		1,442,990	
Total revenues		749,745		902,014		1,598,958		1,900,200	
Costs and expenses:									
Cost of product sales		473,755		648,766		1,068,714		1,401,020	
Operating expenses		115,537		111,315		221,602		224,832	
General and administrative expenses		23,163		19,653		44,019		47,147	
Depreciation and amortization expense		47,936		45,308		94,166		86,871	
Total costs and expenses		660,391		825,042		1,428,501		1,759,870	
Operating income		89,354		76,972		170,457		140,330	
Equity in earnings (loss) of joint ventures		3,294		(10,128)		(1,012)		(21,271)	
Interest expense, net		(33,122)		(31,035)		(67,539)		(62,026)	
Interest income from related party				1,610		1,055		2,732	
Other (expense) income, net		(474)		2,184		3,204		2,528	
Income from continuing operations before				<u> </u>					
income tax expense		59,052		39,603		106,165		62,293	
Income tax expense		1,865		4,891		5,982		7,982	
Income from continuing operations		57,187		34,712		100,183		54,311	
(Loss) income from discontinued operations, net of tax (Note 1)		(1,788)		(1,743)		(5,147)		3,062	
Net income	\$	55,399	\$	32,969	\$	95,036	\$	57,373	
Net income applicable to limited partners	\$	43,599	\$	21,619	\$	71,743	\$	34,887	
Net income (loss) per unit applicable to limited partners:	<u> </u>		÷		÷		Ė		
Continuing operations	\$	0.58	\$	0.30	\$	0.98	\$	0.40	
Discontinued operations (Note 1)	Ψ	(0.02)	Ψ	(0.02)	Ψ	(0.06)	Ψ	0.05	
Total	\$	0.56	\$	0.28	\$	0.92	\$	0.45	
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Weighted-average limited partner units outstanding	<u>-</u>	77,886,078	=	77,886,078	_	77,886,078	=	77,886,078	
EBITDA from continuing operations (Note 2)	\$	140,110	\$	114,336	\$	266,815	\$	208,458	
DCF from continuing operations (Note 2)	\$	106,321	\$	69,565	\$	197,033	\$	139,451	
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		June 30,			_			December 31,	
		2014		2013				2013	
Balance Sheet Data:									
Long-term debt	\$	2,726,629	\$	2,500,948			\$	2,655,553	
Partners' equity	\$	1,809,359	\$	2,440,266			\$	1,903,794	
Consolidated debt coverage ratio (Note 3)		4.0x		4.3x				4.4x	

NuStar Energy L.P. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Financial Information - Continued (Unaudited, Thousands of Dollars, Except Barrel Data)

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,			
		2014		2013		2014		2013
Pipeline:								
Refined products pipelines throughput (barrels/day)		521,391		459,663		497,315		465,446
Crude oil pipelines throughput (barrels/day)		427,122		350,850		393,457		351,021
Total throughput (barrels/day)		948,513		810,513		890,772		816,467
Throughput revenues	\$	117,798	\$	96,976	\$	220,757	\$	190,253
Operating expenses		38,072		29,101		69,689		66,507
Depreciation and amortization expense		19,490		16,648		37,842		32,638
Segment operating income	\$	60,236	\$	51,227	\$	113,226	\$	91,108
Storage:								
Throughput (barrels/day)		894,194		813,345		857,967		741,872
Throughput revenues	\$	31,216	\$	26,626	\$	58,686	\$	48,987
Storage lease revenues		113,770		116,053		218,866		235,369
Total revenues		144,986		142,679		277,552		284,356
Operating expenses		69,091		72,212		134,358		136,865
Depreciation and amortization expense		25,888		26,055		51,180		49,123
Segment operating income	\$	50,007	\$	44,412	\$	92,014	\$	98,368
Fuels Marketing:								
Product sales and other revenue	\$	493,651	\$	670,604	\$	1,114,622	\$	1,443,612
Cost of product sales		477,830		654,202		1,077,305		1,412,934
Gross margin		15,821		16,402		37,317		30,678
Operating expenses		10,996		12,964		22,927		28,826
Depreciation and amortization expense		4		6		11		13
Segment operating income	\$	4,821	\$	3,432	\$	14,379	\$	1,839
Consolidation and Intersegment Eliminations:								
Revenues	\$	(6,690)	\$	(8,245)	\$	(13,973)	\$	(18,021)
Cost of product sales		(4,075)		(5,436)		(8,591)		(11,914)
Operating expenses		(2,622)		(2,962)		(5,372)		(7,366)
Total	\$	7	\$	153	\$	(10)	\$	1,259
Consolidated Information:								
Revenues	\$	749,745	\$	902,014	\$	1,598,958	\$	1,900,200
Cost of product sales		473,755		648,766		1,068,714		1,401,020
Operating expenses		115,537		111,315		221,602		224,832
Depreciation and amortization expense		45,382		42,709		89,033		81,774
Segment operating income		115,071		99,224		219,609		192,574
General and administrative expenses		23,163		19,653		44,019		47,147
Other depreciation and amortization expense		2,554		2,599		5,133		5,097
Consolidated operating income	\$	89,354	\$	76,972	\$	170,457	\$	140,330

NuStar Energy L.P. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Financial Information - Continued (Unaudited, Thousands of Dollars, Except Per Unit Data)

Notes:

- (1) The results of operations for the following have been reported as discontinued operations for all periods presented: (i) the San Antonio Refinery and related assets, which we sold on January 1, 2013, and (ii) certain storage assets that were classified as "Assets held for sale" on the consolidated balance sheet as of December 31, 2013.
- (2) NuStar Energy L.P. utilizes 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, which are not defined in U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

 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 are 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.

The following is a reconciliation of income from continuing operations to EBITDA from continuing operations and DCF from continuing operations:

	Three Months Ended June 30,				Six Months Ended June 30,				
		2014		2013		2014		2013	
Income from continuing operations	\$	57,187	\$	34,712	\$	100,183	\$	54,311	
Plus interest expense, net and interest income from related party		33,122		29,425		66,484		59,294	
Plus income tax expense		1,865		4,891		5,982		7,982	
Plus depreciation and amortization expense		47,936		45,308		94,166		86,871	
EBITDA from continuing operations		140,110		114,336		266,815		208,458	
Equity in (earnings) loss of joint ventures		(3,294)		10,128		1,012		21,271	
Interest expense, net and interest income from related party		(33,122)		(29,425)		(66,484)		(59,294)	
Reliability capital expenditures		(7,239)		(10,987)		(11,998)		(16,464)	
Income tax expense		(1,865)		(4,891)		(5,982)		(7,982)	
Distributions from joint ventures		728		_		3,094		4,652	
Other items (a)		4,311		(6,500)		3,869		(6,500)	
Mark-to-market impact of hedge transactions (b)		6,692		(3,096)		6,707		(4,690)	
DCF from continuing operations	\$	106,321	\$	69,565	\$	197,033	\$	139,451	
Less DCF from continuing operations available to general partner		12,766		12,766		25,532		25,532	
DCF from continuing operations available to limited partners	\$	93,555	\$	56,799	\$	171,501	\$	113,919	
DCF from continuing operations per limited partner unit	\$	1.20	\$	0.73	\$	2.20	\$	1.46	

- (a) For 2014, other items consist of a net increase in deferred revenue associated with throughput deficiency payments and construction reimbursements. For 2013, other items consist of a \$6.5 million reduction of the contingent consideration recorded in association with an acquisition.
- (b) DCF from continuing operations excludes the impact of unrealized mark-to-market gains and losses that arise from valuing certain derivative contracts, as well as the associated hedged inventory. The gain or loss associated with these contracts is realized in DCF from continuing operations when the contracts are settled.
- (3) The consolidated debt coverage ratio is calculated as consolidated indebtedness to consolidated EBITDA, as defined in our \$1.5 billion five-year revolving credit agreement.