

## Kayne Anderson Energy Total Return Fund, Inc. (NYSE: KYE)

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### Section 19(a) Notification of Sources of Distribution

Distribution Record Date December 29, 2017

Distribution Amount per Share \$0.25

The following table sets forth the estimated amounts of the current distribution, payable January 12, 2018, and the cumulative distributions paid this fiscal year to date from the following sources: net investment income, net realized short-term capital gains, net realized long-term capital gains and return of capital. All amounts are expressed per common share.

	Estimated Sources of Distributions			% Breakdown of the
	(\$) Current	% Breakdown	(\$) Total Cumulative	Total Cumulative
	Distribution	of the Current	Distributions for the	Distributions for the
		Distribution	Fiscal Year to Date	Fiscal Year to Date
Net Investment Income	-	0%	-	0%
Net Realized Short-Term Capital Gains	-	0%	-	0%
Net Realized Long-Term Capital Gains	-	0%	-	0%
Return of Capital	0.25	100%	0.25	100%
Total (per common share)	0.25	100%	0.25	100%

Average annual total return (in relation to NAV) for the 5 years ended 11/30/17 -8.4%

Annualized current distribution rate expressed as a percentage of NAV as of 11/30/17 9.6%

Cumulative total return (in relation to NAV) for the fiscal year through 11/30/17 -12.3%

Cumulative fiscal year distributions as a percentage of NAV as of 11/30/17 2.4%

You should not draw any conclusions about KYE's investment performance from the amount of this distribution.

The Fund estimates that it has distributed more than its income and capital gains; therefore, a portion of your distribution may be return of capital. A return of capital may occur, for example, when some or all of the money that you invested in the Fund is paid back to you. A return of capital distribution does not necessarily reflect the Fund's investment performance and should not be confused with 'yield' or 'income'.

The amounts and sources of distributions reported are only estimates and are not being provided for tax reporting purposes. The actual amounts and sources of the amounts for tax reporting purposes will depend upon KYE's investment experience during the remainder of its fiscal year and may be subject to changes based on tax regulations. KYE will send you a Form 1099-DIV for the calendar year that will tell you how to report these distributions for federal income tax purposes.