

Report of Organizational Actions Affecting Basis of Securities

▶ See separate instructions.

Part I Reporting Issuer

1 Issuer's name Kayne Anderson Energy Total Return Fund, Inc.		2 Issuer's employer identification number (EIN) 42-1665942	
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6 Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) of contact 811 Main Street, 14th Floor		7 City, town, or post office, state, and Zip code of contact Houston, TX 77002	
8 Date of action See below		9 Classification and description Common Stock	
10 CUSIP number 48660P104	11 Serial number(s)	12 Ticker symbol KYE	13 Account number(s)

Part II Organizational Action Attach additional statements if needed. See back of form for additional questions.

14 Describe the organizational action and, if applicable, the date of the action or the date against which shareholders' ownership is measured for the action ▶ **Kayne Anderson Energy Total Return Fund, Inc. (KYE) paid distributions to common shareholders during 2015 that were determined to be nontaxable upon computation of KYE's earnings and profits after the tax year-end. See Part II, Line 15 for the amount of distributions per share.**

15 Describe the quantitative effect of the organizational action on the basis of the security in the hands of a U.S. taxpayer as an adjustment per share or as a percentage of old basis ▶ **A shareholder's basis in KYE stock is reduced by the nontaxable distributions paid per share as follows:**

- \$0.485 with a record date of 4/6/2015 payable 4/10/2015**
- \$0.485 with a record date of 7/6/2015 payable 7/10/2015**
- \$0.485 with a record date of 10/5/2015 payable 10/9/2015**
- \$0.330 with a record date of 12/30/2015 payable 1/15/2016* See Part II, Line 19 for additional details on this distribution**

16 Describe the calculation of the change in basis and the data that supports the calculation, such as the market values of securities and the valuation dates ▶ **KYE's earnings and profits were calculated pursuant to IRC Section 312, and the regulations thereunder. Amounts in excess of earnings and profits reduce the shareholder's tax basis in its shares to the extent of basis.**

Part II Organizational Action (continued)

17 List the applicable Internal Revenue Code section(s) and subsection(s) upon which the tax treatment is based ▶ Tax treatment is based upon Internal Revenue Code Section 301 (c) and 316 (a)

Multiple horizontal lines for listing applicable Internal Revenue Code sections and subsections.

18 Can any resulting loss be recognized? ▶ No

Multiple horizontal lines for providing information regarding loss recognition.

19 Provide any other information necessary to implement the adjustment, such as the reportable tax year ▶ These actions are effective on the dates of distribution identified above. With regard to the distribution payable 1/15/2016; as this distribution was declared in calendar 2015 to shareholders of record in 2015, it may be paid as late as January 31, 2016, and be included in shareholders' 2015 income. Shareholders' Form 1099-DIV for 2015 reflects this distribution.

Multiple horizontal lines for providing other necessary information for the adjustment.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here
Signature ▶ [Handwritten Signature] Date ▶ 1-29-16
Print your name ▶ Terry A. Hart Title ▶ Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer

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