Nuveen Mortgage Opportunity Term Fund Form N-Q November 29, 2017

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

#### Washington, DC 20549

#### FORM N-Q

#### QUARTERLY SCHEDULE OF PORTFOLIO HOLDINGS OF REGISTERED MANAGEMENT INVESTMENT COMPANY

Investment Company Act file number 811-22329

#### **Nuveen Mortgage Opportunity Term Fund**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

#### 333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

#### Gifford R. Zimmerman Vice President and Secretary

#### 333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606

(Name and address of agent for service)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: 312-917-7700

Date of fiscal year end: \_\_\_\_\_ December 31

Date of reporting period: September 30, 2017

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Item 1. Schedule of Investments

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### Nuveen Mortgage Opportunity Term Fund Portfolio of Investments

September 30, 2017 (Unaudited)

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		<b>Description</b> (1)	Coupon	Maturity	Ratings (2)	Value
		LONG-TERM INVESTMENTS Investments)	133.0% (98.0% o	f Total		
		ASSET-BACKED SECURITIES 13.8% (10.2% of Total Investment	s)			
\$	2,590	Atlas Senior Loan Fund Ltd, Series 2012 -2A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.900% spread), (3)	5.211%	1/30/24	BBB+	\$ 2,597,697
	1,360	Avery Point CLO Limited, Series 2014-5A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.100% spread), (3)	4.404%	7/17/26	Baa3	1,364,659
	755	BlueMountain Collateralized Loan Obligation, Series 2014-1A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.450% spread), (3)	4.761%	4/30/26	BBB	756,048
	2,305	Bowman Park CLO Limited, Series 2014-1A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.350% spread), (3)	4.664%	11/23/25	BBB	2,319,282
	975	CIFC Funding Limited, Series 2012-2A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.650% spread), (3)	4.968%	12/5/24	BBB	978,582
	885	CIFC Funding Limited, Series 2012-3A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 4.000% spread), (3)	5.311%	1/29/25	BBB+	888,560
	2,100	CIFC Funding Limited, Series 2014-3A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.150% spread), (3)	4.463%	7/22/26	Baa3	2,100,147
	465	CPS Auto Trust, 144A	2.300%	7/15/21	AA	464,213
	4,245	DT Auto Owner Trust, Series 2017-2A, 144A	2.440%	2/15/21	AA	4,252,770
	970	Green Tree Agency Funding Trust, Manufactured Housing Contract Pass Through Certificates, Series 2016-T1 144A		10/15/48	AAA	965,363
	1,180	Honor Automobile Trust, Series 2016-1A, 144A	5.760%	4/15/21	BBB	1,211,063
	1,995	Magnetite CLO Limited, Series 2012-7A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.750% spread), (3)	5.054%	1/15/25	A2	2,019,044
	2,500	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	4.364%	10/25/25	BBB	2,500,747

	5 3,200	<b>Total Investments)</b> 280 Park Avenue Mortgage Trust, Series 2017-280P, 144A, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 2.119% spread), (3)	3.355%	9/15/34	BB	\$ 3,140,677
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<i>~</i>		MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES	117.9% (86	.9% of		
Am	Principal ount (000)	Description (1)	Coupon	Maturity	Ratings (2)	Value
		\$57,884,563)				
\$		Series 2017-2A, 144A Total Asset-Backed Securities (cost				58,073,078
	3,595	Series 2017-1A, 144A Westlake Auto Receivables Trust,	3.280%	12/15/22	BBB	3,586,566
		Series 2015-3A, 144A Westlake Auto Receivables Trust,	3.460%	10/17/22	BBB	5,746,752
	,	Trust, Series 2017-1, 144A Westlake Auto Receivables Trust,	5.890%	7/15/22	BB	2,666,625
	1,550	Series 2017-4, 144A United Auto Credit Securitization	5.090%	3/10/23	BB	1,546,248
	1,592	Series 2017-3, 144A Sofi Consumer Loan Program Trust,	2.500%	5/26/26	AA	1,591,285
	1,490	Series 2017-1, 144A Sofi Consumer Loan Program Trust,	2.770%	5/25/26	AA	1,496,303
	992	Sofi Consumer Loan Program Trust,	3.280%	1/26/26	N/R	1,004,968
	5,500	Sofi Consumer Loan Program Trust, Series 2016-3, 144A	4.490%	12/26/25	N/R	5,690,744
	1,532	SLM Student Loan Trust 2003-7A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 1.200% spread), (3)	2.520%	12/15/33	AAA	1,552,386
	593	SLM Student Loan Trust 2003-4, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 0.750% spread), (3)	2.070%	3/15/33	AAA	592,588
	780	Seneca Park CLO Limited, Asset Backed Securities, Series 2014-1A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.500% spread), (3)	4.804%	7/17/26	Baa3	784,362
	774	Prosper Marketplace Issuance Trust, Series 2017-2A, 144A	3.480%	9/15/23	BBB	775,806
	4,041	Prestige Auto Receivables Trust, Series 2016-2A, 144A	3.910%	11/15/22	BBB	4,088,800
	3,500	OneMain Financial Issuance Trust, Series 2016-2A, 144A	4.100%	3/20/28	A+	3,560,649
	970	Octagon Investment Partners, Series 2014-1A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.500% spread), (3)	4.804%	4/15/26	Baa2	970,821
		Octagon Investment Partners, Series 2013-1A, 144A, (3-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.050% spread), (3)				

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	Angel Oak Mortgage Trust, Series 2016-1, 144A				
2,487	Angel Oak Mortgage Trust, Series 2016-1, 144A	3.500%	7/25/46	N/R	2,496,893
1,677	Angel Oak Mortgage Trust, Series 2017-2, 144A	2.478%	7/25/47	AAA	1,672,980
6,500	Argent Securities Inc., Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-W2, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 0.490% spread), (3)	1.727%	10/25/35	BB	6,465,425

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Principal Amount (000)	Description (1)	Coupon	Maturity	Ratings (2)	Value
	MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES (continued)				
\$ 1,697	Banc of America Alternative Loan Trust, Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-6	6.000%	7/25/46	Caa3	\$ 1,505,014
3,125	Banc of America Merrill Lynch Large Loan Inc., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2015-200P, 144A	3.716%	4/14/33	BB	3,021,213
1,465	Banc of America Mortgage Securities Inc., Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-1	6.000%	3/25/37	Caa3	1,400,619
1,555	Bank of America Commercial Mortgage Inc. , Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-1	5.879%	9/10/45	Baa1	1,554,201
2,305	Bank of America Commercial Mortgage Inc., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2015-UBS7, 144A	3.261%	9/15/48	BB	1,467,490
5,330	Bank of America Commercial Mortgage Inc., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2015-UBS7	3.167%	9/15/48	BBB	4,210,820
4,646	Bank of America Funding Trust, 2007-A 2A1, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 0.160% spread), (3)	1.396%	2/20/47	CCC	4,477,724
3,258	Bayview Opportunity Master Fund Trust, 2016-CRT1, 144A, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 1.750% spread), (3)	2.984%	10/27/27	А	3,257,510
5,746	Bayview Opportunity Master Fund Trust, 2017-CRT1, 144A, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 2.150% spread), (3)	3.384%	10/25/28	BBB	5,754,574
2,777	· · · · ·	3.234%	11/25/27	BBB	2,777,009
1,007	Bayview Opportunity Master Fund Trust, 2017-NPL1, 144A	3.598%	1/28/32	N/R	1,004,096
780	Bayview Opportunity Master Fund Trust, 2017-RN7, 144A	3.105%	9/28/32	N/R	780,000
3,225	BB UBS Trust, Series 2012-SHOW, 144A	4.160%	11/5/36	Baa1	3,159,760
5,568	BCAP LLC Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-AA2, (1-Month LIBOR	1.407%	1/25/37	Caa3	5,052,516

	reference rate $+ 0.170\%$ spread), (3)				
4,396	BCAP LLC Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates,	1.417%	3/25/37	Caa3	4,136,174
	Series 2007 AA1 2A1, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 0.180% spread), (3)				
2,755		3.374%	10/25/36	N/R	2,746,234
	Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificate Series 2006-4				
3,657	Bear Stearns Adjustable Rate Mortgage Trust, Pass-Through Certificates Series 2005-12	3.304%	2/25/36	Caa3	3,425,907
2,174		3.405%	2/25/47	N/R	1,915,337
	Trust, Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2007-1				
6,490	6 6 6	1.717%	10/25/35	BB	6,369,470
	Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-NC5, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 0.480% spread), (3)				
3,379	Carrington Securities LP, Mortgage Loan	1.387%	6/25/37	Ba1	3,355,369
	Trust Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates Series 2007-HE1, (1-Month				
	LIBOR reference rate + 0.150% spread),				
	(3)				
3,612	Chaseflex Trust Series 2007-2, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 0.280% spread),	1.517%	5/25/37	CCC	3,397,659
	(3)				
730		3.110%	4/10/48	BBB	533,356
	Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2015-GC29, 144A				
981		3.250%	2/10/50	BBB	802,067
	Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through				,
2 275	Certificates, Series 2017-CD3, 144A	2 2000	5/10/50	חחח	1.0(1.000
2,275	Citigroup Commercial Mortgage Trust, Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through	3.300%	5/10/50	BBB	1,861,889
	Certificates, Series 2017-CD4, 144A				
797		3.543%	3/25/36	Caa2	708,943
	Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006- AR2				
750		3.599%	8/25/35	Caa2	687,183
	Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates,				
044	Series 2005-3 Citigroup Mortgage Loan Trust,	3.544%	7/25/37	Caa2	871,640
944	Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates	5.544%	1123131	Caaz	8/1,040
	Series 2007-AR8				
2,038		3.582%	11/25/36	N/R	1,900,275
	Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-AR7				
315		4.919%	10/15/45	А	306,201
	Certificates 2012-CR3, 144A				
3,820	Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates	4.735%	10/15/45	BBB	3,316,649
	Certificates				

Series 2012-CR4, 144A				
3,250 Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through	4.470%	12/10/45	Baa3	2,923,295
Certificates Series CR5 A4, 144A				

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Principal Amount (000)	Description (1)	Coupon	Maturity	Ratings (2)	Value
	MORTGAGE-BACKED SECURITIES (continued)			_	
\$ 2,700	Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2017-CR9, 144A	4.396%	7/10/45	BBB	\$ 2,318,098
1,130	Core Industrial Trust, Series 2015-CALW, 144A	3.979%	2/10/34	В	1,102,366
436	Countrywide Alternative Loan Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-6CB	5.750%	5/25/36	Ca	329,650
3,876	Countrywide Alternative Loan Trust, Securitization Pass-Through Certificates Series 2007-HY7C A1, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 0.140% spread), (3)	1.377%	8/25/37	Caa2	3,347,353
1,444	Countrywide CHL Mortgage Pass-Through Trust 2006-HYB1	3.249%	3/20/36	Caa3	1,245,706
831	Countrywide CHL Mortgage Pass-Through Trust Series 2005-HY10	3.588%	2/20/36	Caa2	782,125
3,203	Countrywide Home Loans Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-HYB7	3.081%	11/20/35	Caa3	2,905,058
2,283	Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Acceptance Corporation, Adjustable Rate Mortgage-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2005-12	3.484%	3/25/36	Caa3	2,102,963
716	Credit Suisse First Boston Mortgage Securities Corporation, Adjustable Rate Mortgage-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-2	3.370%	5/25/36	D	669,145
3,910	CSAIL Commercial Mortgage Trust, Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2015-C1, 144A	3.945%	4/15/50	BBB	3,378,314
4,700		3.504%	8/15/48	BBB	3,563,859
1,015	Fannie Mae Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2016-C03, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 12.750% spread), (3)	13.987%	10/25/28	N/R	1,380,258
2,600		7.137%	10/25/28	В	2,978,583
5,350	Fannie Mae Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2013-C01, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 5.250% spread),	6.484%	10/25/23	BB+	6,160,967

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2,780	(3) Fannie Mae, Connecticut Ave Securities, Series 2015-C04, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 5.550% spread), (3)	6.787%	4/25/28	BB	3,080,355
2,228	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2015-C01, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 4.550% spread), (3)	5.784%	2/25/25	BB	2,377,530
609	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2015-C03, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 5.000% spread), (3)	6.237%	7/25/25	В	673,770
3,334	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2015-C03, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 5.000% spread), (3)	6.237%	7/25/25	BB	3,645,171
2,969	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2016-C05, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 10.750% spread), (3)	11.987%	1/25/29	N/R	3,573,725
2,448	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2016-C05, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 4.450% spread), (3)	5.687%	1/25/29	В	2,682,443
1,675	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2016-C07, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 9.500% spread), (3)	10.737%	5/25/29	N/R	1,988,826
3,190	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2017-C01, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 5.750% spread), (3)	6.987%	7/25/29	N/R	3,542,561
5,545	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2017-C02, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 5.500% spread), (3)	6.737%	9/25/29	N/R	5,683,803
4,100	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2017-C03, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 4.850% spread), (3)	6.087%	10/25/29	N/R	4,230,043
3,519	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2017-C03, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 0.950% spread), (3)	2.187%	10/25/29	Baa3	3,536,474
1,925	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2017-C04, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 5.050% spread), (3)	6.287%	11/25/29	N/R	1,925,008
1,645	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2017-C04, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 2.850% spread),	4.087%	11/25/29	В	1,667,474

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	(3)				
3,370	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2017-C05, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 3.600% spread), (3)	4.837%	1/25/30	N/R	3,138,682
3,380	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2017-C05, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 2.200% spread), (3)	3.437%	1/25/30	B3	3,336,060
605	Fannie Mae, Connecticut Avenue Securities, Series 2017-C06, (1-Month LIBOR reference rate + 4.150% spread), (3)	5.387%	2/25/30	N/R	586,730
2,616	First Horizon Alternative Mortgage Securities Trust, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2006-FA3	6.000%	7/25/36	Ca	2,251,591