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1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Nuveen Core Equity Alpha Fund [JCE] À Sunshine Eugene S (Month/Day/Year) 03/27/2007 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 1620 JUDSON AVENUE (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) Director 10% Owner _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Officer _X_ Other Person EVANSTON, Â ILÂ 60201 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Trustee Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security 2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Ownership (Instr. 4) Ownership (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Sunshine Eugene S

1620 JUDSON AVENUE Â Â Â Trustee EVANSTON, ILÂ 60201

Signatures

By: Jessica R. Droeger/Signed under POA 03/27/2007

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

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