

**ClearBridge Energy MLP Opportunity Fund Inc.  
Announces Results of Annual Meeting of Shareholders**

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ClearBridge Energy MLP Opportunity Fund Inc. (the “Fund”), which is traded on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol “EMO,” announced today the results of the votes cast at the Fund’s annual meeting of shareholders held March 30, 2012.

Carol L. Colman, Daniel P. Cronin and Paolo M. Cucchi were elected as Class I Directors of the Fund by owners of its common stock to hold office until the annual meeting of shareholders in the year 2015 or thereafter when respective successors are duly elected and qualified.

The Fund is a non-diversified closed-end management investment company that is managed by Legg Mason Partners Fund Advisor, LLC (“LMPFA”), and subadvised by ClearBridge Advisors, LLC (“ClearBridge”). LMPFA and ClearBridge are wholly owned subsidiaries of Legg Mason, Inc. (“Legg Mason”).

Contact the Fund at 1-888-777-0102 for more information, or visit the Fund’s web site at [www.leggmason.com/cef](http://www.leggmason.com/cef).

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