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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 811-22391

Nuveen Build America Bond Fund
(Exact name of registrant as specified in charter)

Nuveen Investments
333 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois 60606
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Kevin J. McCarthy
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 312-917-7700

Date of fiscal year end: 3/31

Date of reporting period: 6/30/12

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Item 1. Schedule of Investments

Portfolio of Investments (Unaudited)
 Nuveen Build America Bond Fund (NBB)
 June 30, 2012

Principal Amount (000)	Description (1)	Optional Call Provisions (2)	Ratings (3)	Value
	Municipal Bonds – 117.1% (99.9% of Total Investments)			
	Arizona – 2.7% (2.3% of Total Investments)			
\$ 4,070	Downtown Phoenix Hotel Corporation, Arizona, Revenue Bonds, Subordinate Lien Series 2005C, 5.290%, 7/01/18 – FGIC Insured	No Opt. Call	A2	\$ 4,200,810
10,000	Mesa, Arizona, Utility System Revenue Bonds, Series 2010, 6.100%, 7/01/34	7/20 at 100.00	Aa2	11,441,200
14,070	Total Arizona			15,642,010
	California – 22.7% (19.4% of Total Investments)			
35	Bay Area Toll Authority, California, Revenue Bonds, San Francisco Bay Area Toll Bridge, Subordinate Lien, Build America Federally Taxable Bond Series 2010S-1, 6.793%, 4/01/30	No Opt. Call	A+	44,305
500	California Infrastructure and Economic Development Bank, Revenue Bonds, University of California San Francisco Neurosciences Building, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010B, 6.486%, 5/15/49	No Opt. Call	Aa2	619,840
3,000	California State Public Works Board, Lease Revenue Bonds, Various Capital Projects, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2009G-2, 8.361%, 10/01/34	No Opt. Call	A2	3,825,630
4,050	California State Public Works Board, Lease Revenue Bonds, Various Capital Projects, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010A-2, 8.000%, 3/01/35	3/20 at 100.00	A2	4,497,849
7,000	California State University, Systemwide Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010B, 6.484%, 11/01/41	No Opt. Call	Aa2	8,664,600
4,500	California State, General Obligation Bonds, Various Purpose Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010, 7.950%, 3/01/36	3/20 at 100.00	A1	5,424,120
5,000	California State, General Obligation Bonds, Various Purpose, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010, 7.600%, 11/01/40	No Opt. Call	A1	6,480,850
5,500	City and County of San Francisco Redevelopment Financing Authority, California, Taxable Tax Allocation Revenue Bonds, San Francisco Redevelopment Projects, Series 2009F, 8.406%, 8/01/39	No Opt. Call	A	6,525,640
15,000			Aa1	19,921,197

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	Los Angeles Community College District, California, General Obligation Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010, 6.600%, 8/01/42	No Opt. Call		
10,000	Los Angeles Community College District, Los Angeles County, California, General Obligation Bonds, Series 2010, 6.600%, 8/01/42 (UB) (4)	No Opt. Call	Aa1	13,280,800
	Los Angeles County Public Works Financing Authority, California, Lease Revenue Bonds, Multiple Capital Projects I, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010B:			
5,500	7.488%, 8/01/33	No Opt. Call	A+	6,814,720
11,250	7.618%, 8/01/40	No Opt. Call	A+	14,030,888
9,360	Los Angeles Department of Airports, California, Revenue Bonds, Los Angeles International Airport, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2009C, 6.582%, 5/15/39	No Opt. Call	AA-	12,003,077
1,435	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, California, Power System Revenue Bonds, Federally Taxable-Direct Payment – Build America Bonds, Series 2010D, 6.574%, 7/01/45	No Opt. Call	AA-	2,074,063
2,000	Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, California, Water System Revenue Bonds, Tender Option Bond Trust T0003, 30.024%, 7/01/42 (IF) (4)	No Opt. Call	AA	6,492,000
3,000	Oakland Redevelopment Agency, California, Subordinated Housing Set Aside Revenue Bonds, Federally Taxable Series 2011A-T, 7.500%, 9/01/19	No Opt. Call	A	3,408,390
2,355	San Bernardino Community College District, California, General Obligation Bonds, Election of 2008, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2009C, 7.630%, 8/01/44	No Opt. Call	Aa2	3,076,384
3,000	San Francisco City and County Public Utilities Commission, California, Water Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010G, 6.950%, 11/01/50	No Opt. Call	AA-	4,235,970
4,000	San Francisco City and County, California, Certificates of Participation, 525 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco Public Utilities Commission Office Project, Tender Option Bond Trust B001, 29.077%, 11/01/30 (IF)	No Opt. Call	AA-	6,167,200
	Stanton Redevelopment Agency, California, Consolidated Project Tax Allocation Bonds, Series 2011A:			
275	6.500%, 12/01/17	No Opt. Call	A-	295,270
295	6.750%, 12/01/18	No Opt. Call	A-	318,594
2,505	University of California, General Revenue Bonds, Limited Project, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010F, 5.946%, 5/15/45	No Opt. Call	Aa2	3,124,436
99,560	Total California Colorado – 1.8% (1.5% of Total Investments)			131,325,823
3,100	Denver School District 1, Colorado, General Obligation Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds,	No Opt. Call	Aa2	3,931,048

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	Series 2009C, 5.664%, 12/01/33			
3,000	Mesa State College, Colorado, Auxiliary Facilities Enterprise Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010B, 6.746%, 5/15/42	No Opt. Call	Aa2	3,987,510
2,000	St. Vrain Valley School District RE-1J, Boulder, Larimer and Weld Counties, Colorado, General Obligation Bonds, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010B, 5.790%, 12/15/33	12/20 at 100.00	Aa2	2,267,080
8,100	Total Colorado Connecticut – 0.9% (0.8% of Total Investments)			10,185,638
4,500	Harbor Point Infrastructure Improvement District, Connecticut, Special Obligation Revenue Bonds, Harbor Point Project, Federally Taxable – Issuer Subsidy – Recovery Zone Economic Development Bond Series 2010B, 12.500%, 4/01/39	4/20 at 100.00	N/R	5,343,480
6,195	Florida – 1.2% (1.0% of Total Investments) Florida State Board of Education, Public Education Capital Outlay Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010G, 5.750%, 6/01/35	6/19 at 100.00	AAA	6,916,036
9,000	Georgia – 4.6% (3.9% of Total Investments) Georgia Municipal Electric Authority, Plant Vogtle Units 3 & 4 Project J Bonds, Taxable Build America Bonds Series 2010A, 6.637%, 4/01/57	No Opt. Call	A+	10,545,120
15,000	Georgia Municipal Electric Authority, Plant Vogtle Units 3 & 4 Project P Bonds, Refunding Taxable Build America Bonds Series 2010A, 7.055%, 4/01/57	No Opt. Call	A–	16,140,450
24,000	Total Georgia Illinois – 14.9% (12.7% of Total Investments)			26,685,570
3,800	Chicago Transit Authority, Illinois, Sales Tax Receipts Revenue Bonds, Federally Taxable Build America Bonds, Series 2010B, 6.200%, 12/01/40	No Opt. Call	AA	4,197,518
10,650	Chicago, Illinois, General Airport Revenue Bonds, O’Hare International Airport, Third Lien, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010B, 6.845%, 1/01/38	1/20 at 100.00	A2	12,138,551
11,280	Chicago, Illinois, Wastewater Transmission Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010B, 6.900%, 1/01/40 (4)	No Opt. Call	AA	14,472,466
10,000	Chicago, Illinois, Water Revenue Bonds, Taxable Second Lien Series 2010B, 6.742%, 11/01/40	No Opt. Call	AA	13,411,500
2,885	Cook County, Illinois, General Obligation Bonds, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010B, 6.360%, 11/15/33	No Opt. Call	AA	3,329,117
15,855	Cook County, Illinois, General Obligation Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010D, 6.229%, 11/15/34	No Opt. Call	AA	17,838,143
500	Illinois Finance Authority, Revenue Bonds, Illinois Institute of Technology, Refunding Series 2006B, 6.100%, 4/01/15	10/12 at 100.00	Baa3	494,285
13,975	Illinois State, General Obligation Bonds, Taxable Build America Bonds, Series 2010-3, 6.725%, 4/01/35	No Opt. Call	A+	15,340,078

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4,100	Illinois Toll Highway Authority, Toll Highway Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Senior Lien Series 2009A, 6.184%, 1/01/34	No Opt. Call	AA-	5,090,642
73,045	Total Illinois			86,312,300
	Indiana – 1.0% (0.8% of Total Investments)			
5,000	Indiana University, Consolidated Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010B, 5.636%, 6/01/35	6/20 at 100.00	Aaa	5,507,750
	Kentucky – 1.8% (1.5% of Total Investments)			
5,000	Kentucky Municipal Power Agency, Power Supply System Revenue Bonds, Prairie State Project, Tender Option Bond Trust B002, 28.928%, 9/01/37 – AGM Insured (IF)	9/20 at 100.00	AA-	7,683,750
1,950	Louisville and Jefferson County Metropolitan Sewer District, Kentucky, Sewer and Drainage System Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds Series 2010A, 6.250%, 5/15/43	No Opt. Call	AA	2,504,600
6,950	Total Kentucky			10,188,350
	Louisiana – 3.9% (3.4% of Total Investments)			
20,350	East Baton Rouge Sewerage Commission, Louisiana, Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010B, 6.087%, 2/01/45 (UB) (4)	2/20 at 100.00	AA	22,808,484
	Massachusetts – 0.9% (0.8% of Total Investments)			
2,000	Massachusetts, Transportation Fund Revenue Bonds, Accelerated Bridge Program, Tender Option Bond Trust T0004, 25.490%, 6/01/40 (IF) (4)	No Opt. Call	AAA	5,389,100
	Michigan – 3.5% (3.0% of Total Investments)			
12,650	Detroit City School District, Wayne County, Michigan, General Obligation Bonds, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2009B, 7.747%, 5/01/39	No Opt. Call	Aa2	15,932,549
3,015	Michigan Tobacco Settlement Finance Authority, Tobacco Settlement Asset-Backed Revenue Bonds, Taxable Turbo Series 2006A, 7.309%, 6/01/34	6/22 at 100.00	B2	2,241,502
2,000	Wayne County Building Authority, Michigan, General Obligation Bonds, Jail Facilities, Federally Taxable Recovery Zone Economic Development Series 2010, 10.000%, 12/01/40	12/20 at 100.00	BBB+	2,321,420
17,665	Total Michigan			20,495,471
	Missouri – 0.3% (0.3% of Total Investments)			
1,290	Curators of the University of Missouri, System Facilities Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2009A, 5.960%, 11/01/39	No Opt. Call	AA+	1,731,619
	Nevada – 5.3% (4.5% of Total Investments)			
8,810	Clark County, Nevada, Airport Revenue Bonds, Senior Lien Series 2009B, 6.881%, 7/01/42	7/19 at 100.00	Aa2	10,086,921
1,730	Clark County, Nevada, Airport System Revenue, Taxable Direct Payment Build America Bonds, Senior Series 2010C, 6.820%, 7/01/45	No Opt. Call	Aa2	2,397,590
8,800	Las Vegas Valley Water District, Nevada, Limited Tax General Obligation Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2009C, 7.013%, 6/01/39	No Opt. Call	AA+	11,660,176

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1,315	Las Vegas, Nevada, Certificates of Participation, City Hall Project, Build America Federally Taxable Bonds, Series 2009B, 7.800%, 9/01/39	9/19 at 100.00	AA-	1,568,243
4,000	North Las Vegas, Nevada, General Obligation Water and Wastewater Improvement Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010A, 6.572%, 6/01/40	No Opt. Call	A	4,648,080
24,655	Total Nevada			30,361,010
	New Jersey – 3.1% (2.6% of Total Investments)			
140	New Jersey Turnpike Authority, Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2009F, 7.414%, 1/01/40	No Opt. Call	A+	205,751
12,505	New Jersey Turnpike Authority, Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010A, 7.102%, 1/01/41	No Opt. Call	A+	17,727,963
12,645	Total New Jersey			17,933,714
	New York – 13.6% (11.6% of Total Investments)			
25,000	Dormitory Authority of the State of New York, State Personal Income Tax Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010D, 5.600%, 3/15/40 (UB) (4)	No Opt. Call	AAA	31,563,000
10,000	Long Island Power Authority, New York, Electric System Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bond Series 2010B, 5.850%, 5/01/41	No Opt. Call	A	11,454,600
4,850	Metropolitan Transportation Authority, New York, Transportation Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2009A-1, 5.871%, 11/15/39	No Opt. Call	A	5,786,875
2,595	New York City Municipal Water Finance Authority, New York, Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Second Generation Resolution, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010DD, 5.952%, 6/15/42 (4)	No Opt. Call	AA+	3,436,065
2,025	New York City Municipal Water Finance Authority, New York, Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Second Generation Resolution, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010DD, 5.952%, 6/15/42 (UB)	No Opt. Call	AA+	2,681,323
1,595	New York City Municipal Water Finance Authority, New York, Water and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Second Generation Resolution, Taxable Tender Option Bonds Trust T30001-2, 26.488%, 6/15/44 (IF)	No Opt. Call	AA+	4,044,761
5,500	New York City Transitional Finance Authority, New York, Building Aid Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bond Fiscal 2011 Series 2010S-1B, 6.828%, 7/15/40	No Opt. Call	AA-	7,521,745
10,000	New York City Transitional Finance Authority, New York, Future Tax Secured Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010G-1, 5.467%, 5/01/40 (4)	No Opt. Call	AAA	12,267,800
61,565	Total New York			78,756,169
	Ohio – 5.4% (4.6% of Total Investments)			
10,000	American Municipal Power Inc., Ohio, Combined Hydroelectric Projects Revenue Bonds, Federally	No Opt. Call	A	14,024,000

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	Taxable Build America Bonds, Series 2010B, 7.834%, 2/15/41			
	Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District, Wastewater Improvement	11/20 at		
15,000	Revenue Bonds, Build America	100.00	AA+	16,929,450
	Taxable Bonds, Series 2010, 6.038%, 11/15/40			
25,000	Total Ohio			30,953,450
	Oregon – 3.1% (2.6% of Total Investments)			
	Oregon Department of Administrative Services, Certificates of	5/20 at		
4,000	Participation, Federally Taxable	100.00	AA	6,563,400
	Build America Bonds, Tender Option Bond Trust TN-011, 26.364%,			
	5/01/35 (IF) (4)			
	Warm Springs Reservation Confederated Tribes, Oregon, Tribal	No Opt.		
9,660	Economic Development Bonds,	Call	A3	11,305,098
	Hydroelectric Revenue Bonds, Pelton Round Butte Project,			
	Refunding Series 2009A,			
	8.250%, 11/01/19			
13,660	Total Oregon			17,868,498
	Pennsylvania – 0.8% (0.7% of Total Investments)			
	Commonwealth Financing Authority, Pennsylvania, State	No Opt.		
1,750	Appropriation Lease Bonds, Build America	Call	AA	2,204,860
	Taxable Bonds, Series 2009D, 6.218%, 6/01/39			
	Pennsylvania State, General Obligation Bonds, Build America	7/20 at		
2,000	Taxable Bonds, Third Series 2010B,	100.00	AA+	2,298,280
	5.850%, 7/15/30			
3,750	Total Pennsylvania			4,503,140
	South Carolina – 3.8% (3.2% of Total Investments)			
	South Carolina Public Service Authority, Electric System Revenue	No Opt.		
6,285	Bonds, Santee Cooper,	Call	AA–	8,779,768
	Federally Taxable Build America Series 2010C, 6.454%, 1/01/50			
	South Carolina Public Service Authority, Electric System Revenue	No Opt.		
205	Bonds, Santee Cooper,	Call	AA–	611,864
	Federally Taxable Build America Tender Option Bond Trust			
	T30002, 29.502%, 1/01/50 (IF)			
	South Carolina Public Service Authority, Electric System Revenue	No Opt.		
8,985	Bonds, Santee Cooper,	Call	AA–	12,551,506
	Federally Taxable Build America Series 2010C, 6.454%, 1/01/50			
	(UB)			
15,475	Total South Carolina			21,943,138
	Tennessee – 3.3% (2.8% of Total Investments)			
	Metropolitan Government Nashville & Davidson County	No Opt.		
15,000	Convention Center Authority, Tennessee,	Call	A1	18,945,600
	Tourism Tax Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series			
	2010A-2, 7.431%, 7/01/43			
	Texas – 8.6% (7.3% of Total Investments)			
	Dallas Convention Center Hotel Development Corporation, Texas,	No Opt.		
9,915	Hotel Revenue Bonds, Build	Call	A+	11,903,552
	America Taxable Bonds, Series 09B, 7.088%, 1/01/42			
	North Texas Tollway Authority, System Revenue Bonds,	2/20 at		
10,000	Subordinate Lien Taxable Revenue Bonds,	100.00	Baa3	11,574,000
	Federally Taxable Build America Bonds, Series 2010-B2, 8.910%,			
	2/01/30			
15,000			A2	20,193,000

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	North Texas Tollway Authority, System Revenue Bonds, Taxable Build America Bond Series 2009B, 6.718%, 1/01/49	No Opt. Call		
5,000	San Antonio, Texas, General Obligation Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010B, 6.038%, 8/01/40	8/20 at 100.00	AAA	5,833,400
39,915	Total Texas Utah – 1.9% (1.6% of Total Investments)			49,503,952
5,000	Central Utah Water Conservancy District, Utah, Revenue Bonds, Federally Taxable Build America Bonds, Series 2010A, 5.700%, 10/01/40	4/20 at 100.00	AA+	5,321,450
5,415	Midvale Redevelopment Agency, Utah, Tax Increment and Sales Tax Revenue Bonds, Federally Taxable Build America Bonds, Series 2010, 6.250%, 5/01/34 – AGM Insured	5/20 at 100.00	AA–	5,827,298
10,415	Total Utah Vermont – 1.1% (1.0% of Total Investments)			11,148,748
5,000	University of Vermont and State Agricultural College, Revenue Bonds, Build America Bonds Series 2010, 6.428%, 10/01/44	No Opt. Call	Aa3	6,487,500
10,000	Virginia – 3.1% (2.7% of Total Investments) Metropolitan Washington DC Airports Authority, Virginia, Dulles Toll Road Revenue Bonds, Dulles Metrorail Capital Improvement Project, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010D, 8.000%, 10/01/47	No Opt. Call	BBB	12,341,800
4,000	Metropolitan Washington DC Airports Authority, Virginia, Dulles Toll Road Revenue Bonds, Series 2009D, 7.462%, 10/01/46 – AGC Insured	No Opt. Call	BBB+	4,767,320
1,705	Tobacco Settlement Financing Corporation of Virginia, Tobacco Settlement Asset Backed Bonds, Refunding Senior Lien Series 2007A1, 6.706%, 6/01/46	6/17 at 100.00	B2	1,091,047
15,705	Total Virginia Washington – 3.8% (3.3% of Total Investments)			18,200,167
5,000	Grays Harbor County Public Utility District 1, Washington, Electric System Revenue Bonds, Taxable Build America Bonds – Direct Payment, Series 2010A, 6.707%, 7/01/40	No Opt. Call	A1	6,113,450
5,000	Mason County Public Utility District 3, Washington, Electric Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds, Series 2010B, 6.347%, 12/01/40	6/20 at 100.00	Aa3	5,398,550
2,505	Okanogan County Public Utility District 1, Washington, Electric System Revenue Bonds, Build America Taxable Bonds – Direct Payment, Series 2010B, 6.046%, 12/01/40	No Opt. Call	A1	3,039,717
4,000	Seattle, Washington, Municipal Light and Power Revenue Bonds, Federally Taxable Build America Bonds, Tender Option Bond Trust T0001, 24.647%, 2/01/40 (IF) (4)	No Opt. Call	Aa2	7,573,600
16,505	Total Washington			22,125,317
\$ 542,015	Total Municipal Bonds (cost \$572,577,811)			677,262,034
Principal				

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Amount (000)	Description (1)	Coupon	Maturity	Value
	Short-Term Investments – 0.1% (0.1% of Total Investments)			
\$ 438	Repurchase Agreement with State Street Bank, dated 6/29/12, repurchase price \$437,925, collateralized by \$445,000 U.S. Treasury Notes, 0.750%, due 3/31/13, value \$447,781	0.010%	7/02/12	437,924
	Total Short-Term Investments (cost \$437,924)			437,924
	Total Investments (cost \$573,015,735) – 117.2%			677,699,958
	Borrowings – (7.6)% (5), (6)			(44,000,000)
	Floating Rate Obligations – (9.2)%			(53,090,000)
	Other Assets Less Liabilities – (0.4)% (7)			(2,234,024)
				\$
	Net Assets – 100%			578,375,934

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Investments in Derivatives at June 30, 2012

Swaps
outstanding:

Counterparty	Notional Amount	Fund Pay/Receive Floating Rate	Floating Rate (Annualized)	Fixed Rate	Fixed Rate			Unrealized Appreciation
					Payment Frequency	Effective Date (8)	Termination Date (Depreciation)	
JPMorgan Chase Morgan Stanley Morgan Stanley	\$19,200,000 19,200,000 135,000,000	Receive Receive Receive	USD-LIBOR USD-LIBOR USD-LIBOR	1.193% 2.064 3.035	Monthly Monthly Semi-Annually	3/21/11 3/21/11 2/21/14	3/21/14 3/21/16 2/21/41	\$(279,987) (1,053,335) (10,014,360) \$(11,347,682)

Fair Value Measurements

Fair value is defined as the price that the Fund would receive upon selling an investment or transferring a liability in an orderly transaction to an independent buyer in the principal or most advantageous market for the investment. A three-tier hierarchy is used to maximize the use of observable market data and minimize the use of unobservable inputs and to establish classification of fair value measurements for disclosure purposes. Observable inputs reflect the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Observable inputs are based on market data obtained from sources independent of the reporting entity. Unobservable inputs reflect the reporting entity's own assumptions about the assumptions market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability. Unobservable inputs are based on the best information available in the circumstances. The following is a summary of the three-tier hierarchy of valuation input levels.

Level 1 – Inputs are unadjusted and prices are determined using quoted prices in active markets for identical securities

Level 2 – Prices are determined using other significant observable inputs (including quoted prices for similar securities, interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

Level 3 – Prices are determined using significant unobservable inputs (including management's assumptions in determining the fair value of investments).

The inputs or methodologies used for valuing securities are not an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities. The following is a summary of the Fund's fair value measurements as of the end of the reporting period:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Long-Term Investments:				
Municipal Bonds	\$—	\$677,262,034	\$—	\$677,262,034
Short-Term Investments:				
Repurchase Agreements	—	437,924	—	437,924
Derivatives:				
Swaps*	—	(11,347,682)	—	(11,347,682)
Total	\$—	\$666,352,276	\$—	\$666,352,276

* Represents net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) as reported in the Fund's Portfolio of Investments.

Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities

The Fund records derivative instruments at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized on the Statement of Operations, when applicable. Even though the Fund's investments in derivatives may represent economic hedges, they are not considered to be hedge transactions for financial reporting purposes.

The following table presents the fair value of all derivative instruments held by the Fund as of June 30, 2012, the location of these instruments on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities, and the primary underlying risk exposure.

Underlying Risk Exposure	Derivative Instrument	Location on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities		Value
		Asset Derivatives Location	Liability Derivatives Location	
Interest Rate	Swaps	—	Unrealized depreciation on swaps	\$(11,347,682)

Income Tax Information

The following information is presented on an income tax basis. Differences between amounts for financial statement and federal income tax purposes are primarily due to timing differences in recognizing certain gains and losses on investment transactions and the treatment of investments in inverse floating rate securities reflected as financing transactions, if any. To the extent that differences arise that are permanent in nature, such amounts are reclassified within the capital accounts on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities presented in the annual report, based on their federal tax basis treatment; temporary differences do not require reclassification. Temporary and permanent differences do not impact the net asset value of the Fund.

At June 30, 2012, the cost of investments (excluding investments in derivatives) was \$519,721,876.

Gross unrealized appreciation and gross unrealized depreciation of investments (excluding investments in derivatives) at June 30, 2012, were as follows:

Gross unrealized:	
Appreciation	\$ 104,996,939
Depreciation	(112,827)
Net unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of investments	\$ 104,884,112

- (1) All percentages shown in the Portfolio of Investments are based on net assets unless otherwise noted. Optional Call Provisions: Dates (month and year) and prices of the earliest optional call or
- (2) redemption.
There may be other call provisions at varying prices at later dates. Certain mortgage-backed securities

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may be subject to periodic principal paydowns.

Ratings: Using the highest of Standard & Poor's Group ("Standard & Poor's"), Moody's Investors

- (3) Service, Inc. ("Moody's") or Fitch, Inc. ("Fitch") rating. Ratings below BBB by Standard & Poor's, Baa by Moody's or BBB by Fitch are considered to be below investment grade. Holdings designated N/R are not rated by any of these national rating agencies.
 - (4) Investment, or portion of investment, has been pledged to collateralize the net payment obligations for investments in derivatives and/or inverse floating rate transactions.
 - (5) Borrowings as a percentage of Total Investments is 6.5%.
 - (6) The Fund segregates 100% of its eligible investments in the Portfolio of Investments as collateral for Borrowings.
 - (7) Other Assets Less Liabilities includes the Unrealized Appreciation (Depreciation) of derivative instruments as noted within Investments in Derivatives at June 30, 2012.
Effective date represents the date on which both the Fund and Counterparty commence interest
 - (8) payment accruals on each swap contract.
- N/R Not rated.
- (IF) Inverse floating rate investment.
- (UB) Underlying bond of an inverse floating rate trust reflected as a financing transaction.
- USD-LIBOR United States Dollar-London Inter-Bank Offered Rate.
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Item 2. Controls and Procedures.

- a. The registrant's principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, have concluded that the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 30a-3(c) under the Investment Company Act of 1940, as amended (the "1940 Act") (17 CFR 270.30a-3(c))) are effective, as of a date within 90 days of the filing date of this report that includes the disclosure required by this paragraph, based on their evaluation of the controls and procedures required by Rule 30a-3(b) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(b)) and Rule 13a-15(b) or 15d-15(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR 240.13a-15(b) or 240.15d-15(b)).

- b. There were no changes in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Rule 30a-3(d) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-3(d))) that occurred during the registrant's last fiscal quarter that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Item 3. Exhibits.

File as exhibits as part of this Form a separate certification for each principal executive officer and principal financial officer of the registrant as required by Rule 30a-2(a) under the 1940 Act (17 CFR 270.30a-2(a)), exactly as set forth below: See EX-99 CERT attached hereto.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

(Registrant) Nuveen Build America Bond Fund

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Kevin J. McCarthy
Kevin J. McCarthy
Vice President and Secretary

Date: August 29, 2012

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Investment Company Act of 1940, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Gifford R. Zimmerman
Gifford R. Zimmerman
Chief Administrative Officer (principal executive officer)

Date: August 29, 2012

By (Signature and Title) /s/ Stephen D. Foy
Stephen D. Foy
Vice President and Controller (principal financial officer)

Date: August 29, 2012