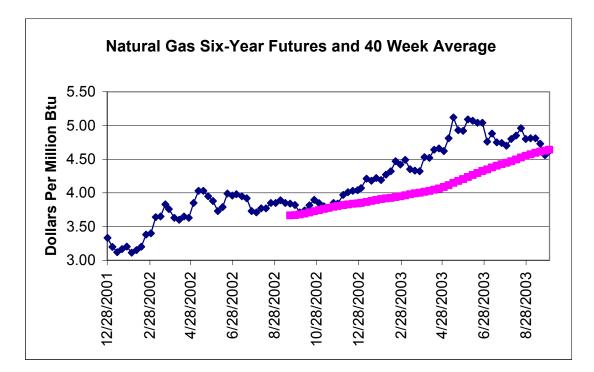
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# **Seasonal Lull**

## **Summary and Recommendation**

While six-year natural gas futures cling to the 40-week average in a seasonal lull we make a long-term case for the fuel in the separately published slides of a presentation at the Contrary Opinion Forum. Latest changes are positive as we update weekly futures prices, McDep Ratios and estimated next twelve months distributions a day early this week.

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## **Natural Gas and Oil Futures**

September 30, 2003

		Six					
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	Year
Natural Gas (\$/mmbtu)	4.89	4.69	4.54	4.52	4.53	4.54	4.62
Light Sweet Crude Oil (\$/bbl)	27.44	25.48	25.24	25.43	25.57	25.78	25.82
Natural Gas/Oil (6:1 = 1.0)	1.07	1.10	1.08	1.07	1.06	1.06	1.07

Source: Nymex.com, McDep Associates

#### Rank by McDep Ratio: Market Cap and Debt to Present Value

	Price							
			(\$/sh)		Market	Present	Debt/	
	Symbol/		30-Sep	Shares	Cap	Value	Present	McDep
	R	ating	2003	(mm)	(\$mm)	(\$/sh)	Value	Ratio
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust (46%)	HGT		18.74	18.4	350	15.00	-	1.25
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT		21.00	6.0	126	18.90	-	1.11
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	В	18.08	46.6	840	17.70	-	1.02

Buy/Sell rating after symbol: B - Buy, S - Sell

McDep Ratio = Market cap and Debt to present value of oil and gas and other businesses

#### Rank by EV/Ebitda: Enterprise Value to Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Deprec.

	Price (\$/sh)			EV/	EV/	Dividend or Distribution		PV/
	Symbol/		30-Sep	Sales	Ebitda	P/E	NTM	Ebitda
	R	ating	2003	NTM	NTM	NTM	(%)	NTM
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT		21.00	7.2	10.4	11	9.3	9.4
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust (46%)	HGT		18.74	6.6	9.0	10	9.6	7.2
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	В	18.08	6.5	8.0	9	10.7	7.8

EV = Enterprise Value = Market Cap and Debt; Ebitda = Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization; NTM = Next Twelve Months Ended September 30, 2004; P/E = Stock Price to Earnings; PV = Present Value of oil and gas and other businesses

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