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# **Volume for Income**

#### Summary and Recommendation

Buy-recommended **Canadian Oil Sands Trust (COSWF)** is the standout in our charts of projected volume with gains reaching 50% over the next twelve months. For the remaining ten stocks, we project a flat trend instead of the normal decline that almost all natural gas and oil wells in North America experience from their first day. Like the seeding of the teams in March Madness, America's college basketball tournament, the pain and pleasure will be in the actual outcome compared to expectations. Meanwhile an equal present value weighting in each of the three official buy recommendations, COSWF, **Penn West Energy Trust (PWTFF)** and **San Juan Basin Royalty Trust (SJT)** would add to a composite weighting of 57% oil and 43% natural gas by cash flow. Oil is higher in economic importance today, while natural gas is cleaner and has more future appreciation potential. Finally, latest declarations indicate a median distribution yield of 9.0% for Canadian trusts while we currently project a median distribution yield for the next twelve months ended March 31, 2007 of 9.1% for U.S. royalty trusts.

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	Symbol/		Price (\$/sh) 6-Apr	Shares	Market Cap	Net Present Value	Debt/ Present	McDep
	Rating		2006	(mm)	(\$mm)	(\$/un)	Value	Ratio
U.S. Royalty Trusts								
Permian Basin RT	PBT		16.44	46.6	770	15.00	-	1.10
Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR		45.20	14.6	660	42.00	-	1.08
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	В	41.48	46.6	1,930	40.00	-	1.04
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP		26.61	28.2	750	26.00	-	1.02
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT		46.05	6.0	280	45.00	-	1.02
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust (46%)	HGT		30.76	18.4	570	34.00	-	0.90
Mesa RoyaltyTrust	MTR		67.00	1.9	130	75.00	-	0.89
Total or Median					5,100			1.02
Canadian Income Trusts								
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH		23.25	160.0	3,720	18.00	0.16	1.24
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF		51.54	114.2	5,890	42.00	0.14	1.20
Penn West Energy Trust	PWTFF	В	36.53	165.1	6,030	33.00	0.12	1.09
Canadian Oil Sands Trust (US\$)	COSWF	В	148.01	93.4	13,820	136.00	0.11	1.08
Total or Median					29,500		0.13	1.14

### Natural Gas and Oil Royalty Trusts Rank by McDep Ratio: Market Cap and Debt to Present Value

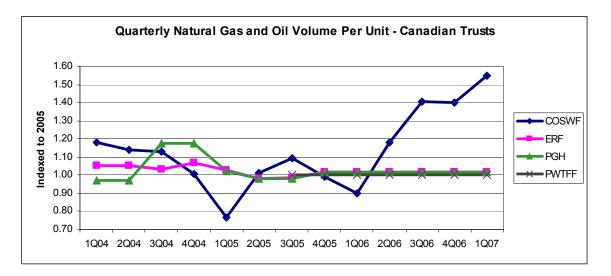
B = Buy, H = Hold

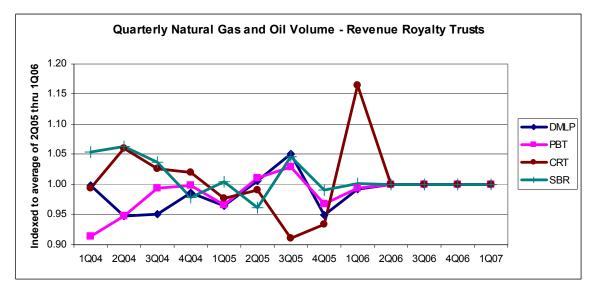
McDep Ratio = Market cap and Debt to present value of oil and gas and other businesses

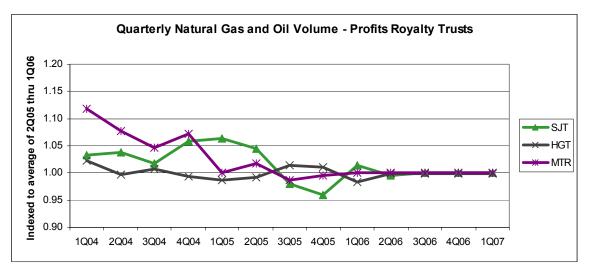
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## Natural Gas and Oil Royalty Trusts Rank by EV/Ebitda: Enterprise Value to Earnings Before Interest, Tax, Deprec.

	Symbol/	<i>.</i> .	Price (\$/sh) 6-Apr 2006	Adjstd Resrvs/ Prod	PV/ Ebitda	EV/ Ebitda	P/E	Divd or Distrib NTM
U.S. Dovelty Trusts	ĸa	Rating		NTM	NTM	NTM	NTM	(%)
U.S. Royalty Trusts	CRT		46.05	13.0	11.8	12.0	12.6	8.0
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	-	_						
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	В	41.48	13.6	10.7	11.1	12.6	7.9
Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR		45.20	9.2	10.2	10.9	10.9	9.1
Mesa RoyaltyTrust	MTR		67.00	18.5	11.8	10.5	10.7	9.3
Permian Basin RT	PBT		16.44	7.7	9.2	10.1	11.0	9.1
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP		26.61	11.7	9.3	9.5	14.4	9.5
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust (46%)	HGT		30.76	13.6	9.6	8.7	11.3	8.9
Λ	Median			13.0	10.2	10.5	11.3	9.1
Canadian Income Trusts								
Canadian Oil Sands Trust (US\$)	COSWF	В	148.01	20.0	9.3	10.1	12.8	2.3
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF		51.54	9.4	5.8	7.0	12.0	8.4
Penn West Energy Trust	PWTFF	В	36.53	7.7	6.1	6.7	9.7	9.6
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH		23.25	7.2	5.3	6.6	9.9	11.1
Λ	Median			8.6	6.0	6.8	10.9	9.0

EV = Enterprise Value = Market Cap and Debt; Ebitda = Earnings before interest, tax, depreciationand amortization; NTM = Next Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2007; P/E = Stock Price toEarnings; PV = Present Value of oil and gas and other businesses

## Natural Gas and Oil Royalty Trusts Rank by NTM Distribution Yield

	G 1 1	Revenue	Natural Gas/		Dist/		.1	Dist.
	Symbol	Royalty	<i>Ebitda</i>	Dist/ Ehitda	Equity Ebitda	NTM Distr		Yield
U.S. Royalty Trusts		(%)	(%)	Ebitda	Ebilaa	(\$mm)	(\$/un)	(%)
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	_	98	0.88	0.88	153	3.29	7.9
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT	81	68	0.88	0.88	22	3.66	8.0
5 5	-		91			50		
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust (46%)	HGT	-		0.77	0.77	• •	2.73	8.9
Permian Basin RT	PBT	29	37	0.92	0.92	70	1.50	9.1
Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR	100	54	1.00	1.00	60	4.13	9.1
Mesa RoyaltyTrust	MTR	-	75	0.98	0.98	12	6.25	9.3
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP	54	79	0.91	0.91	71	2.53	9.5
Total or Median			75	0.92	0.92	400		9.1
Canadian Income Trusts								
Canadian Oil Sands Trust (US\$)	COSWF	-	(8)	0.21	0.24	321	3.44	2.3
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF	-	45	0.51	0.60	495	4.34	8.4
Penn West Energy Trust	PWTFF	-	40	0.57	0.65	579	3.51	9.6
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH	-	41	0.64	0.76	413	2.58	11.1
Total or Median			40	0.54	0.62	1,800		9.0
Kinder Morgan Energy Partners	KMP			0.77	1.69			6.6

NTM = Next Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2007

Ebitda = Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization

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