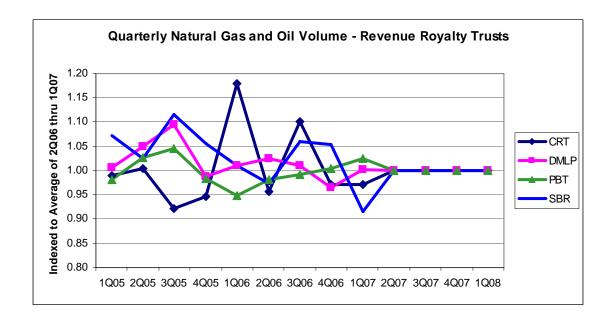
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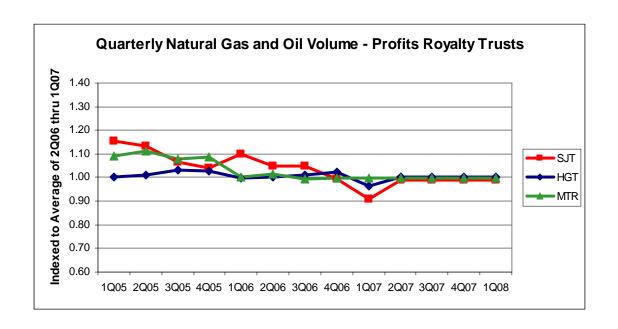
Summary and Recommendation

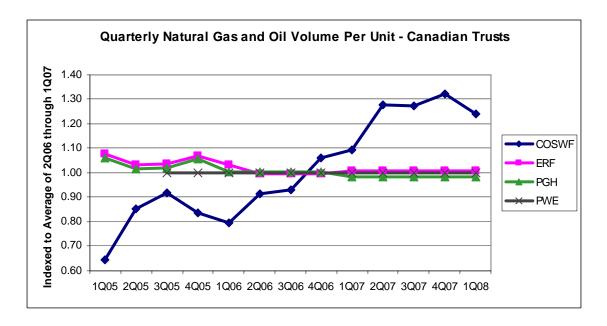
Estimates of present value for U.S. royalty trusts remain steady despite wider variations in official reserve estimates and in recent volume trends. Mesa Royalty Trust (MTR) has the longest life index at 24 years on the strength of non-independent estimates from operator ConocoPhillips for San Juan Basin properties (see column in table, Rank by EV/Ebitda). Buy-recommended **Hugoton Royalty Trust (HGT)** and **Cross Timbers** Royalty Trust (CRT) have the next longest life indices at 13 and 12 years on the basis of independent estimates by Miller and Lents. For buy-recommended San Juan Basin Royalty Trust (SJT), Sabine Royalty Trust (SBR), Dorchester Minerals (DMLP) and **Permian Basin Royalty Trust (PBT)**, life indices range from 10 to 8 years on the basis of estimates by Cawley Gillespie for SJT and PBT, and DeGolyer and MacNaughton for SBR. Skeptical of the wide variation, we narrow those differences in our estimate of present value characterized by the unlevered multiple to cash flow (see PV/Ebitda column in table, Rank by EV/Ebitda). Recent volume trends also diverge, but we project the next four quarters at the average of the last four quarters (see charts). There may be an upward bias in that assumption just as there may be a downward bias in taking price from the futures market.

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

			Price			Net		
			(\$/sh)		Market	Present	Debt/	
	Symbol/		5-Apr	Shares	Cap	Value	Present	McDep
	Rating		2007	(mm)	(\$mm)	(\$/un)	Value	Ratio
U.S. Royalty Trusts								
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT		44.30	6.0	270	46.00	-	0.96
Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR		42.50	14.6	620	45.00	-	0.94
Permian Basin RT	PBT		14.40	46.6	670	16.50	-	0.87
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP		23.10	28.2	650	27.00	-	0.86
Mesa RoyaltyTrust	MTR		56.56	1.9	110	70.00	-	0.80
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	В	31.03	46.6	1,450	40.00	-	0.78
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust	HGT	В	24.63	40.0	990	34.00	-	0.72
Total or Median					4,800			0.86
Canadian Income Trusts (US\$)								
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH		16.97	241.0	4,090	17.00	0.26	1.00
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF		42.35	123.0	5,210	47.00	0.11	0.91
Penn West Energy Trust	PWE	В	29.72	239.5	7,120	36.00	0.15	0.85
Canadian Oil Sands Trust	COSWF	В	24.89	479.0	11,920	35.00	0.08	0.73
Total or Median					28,300		0.13	0.88

B = Buy

McDep Ratio = Market cap and **De**bt to **p**resent value of oil and gas and other businesses

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

	Symbol/ Rai	ting	Price (\$/sh) 5-Apr 2007	Adjstd Resrvs/ Prod NTM	PV/ Ebitda NTM	EV/ Ebitda NTM	P/E NTM	Divd or Distrib NTM (%)
U.S. Royalty Trusts								
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT		44.30	12.3	12.5	12.0	12.3	8.1
Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR		42.50	9.7	11.5	10.8	10.8	9.2
Mesa RoyaltyTrust	MTR		56.56	24.4	11.6	9.3	10.6	9.4
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP		23.10	8.5	10.4	8.9	14.0	10.2
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	В	31.03	9.8	10.5	8.2	9.8	10.2
Permian Basin RT	PBT		14.40	8.1	9.3	8.1	9.6	10.4
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust	HGT	В	24.63	13.1	9.5	6.9	9.4	10.6
Median				9.8	10.5	8.9	10.6	10.2
Canadian Income Trusts (US\$)								
Canadian Oil Sands Trust	COSWF	В	24.89	22.0	11.1	8.2	10.8	7.3
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH		16.97	7.4	7.3	7.3	23.0	15.3
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF		42.35	9.0	6.8	6.2	11.1	10.3
Penn West Energy Trust	PWE	В	29.72	7.5	7.1	6.1	11.5	11.9
Median				8.2	7.2	6.8	11.3	11.1

EV = Enterprise Value = Market Cap and Debt; Ebitda = Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization; NTM = Next Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2008; P/E = Stock Price to Earnings; PV = Present Value of oil and gas and other businesses

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Natural Gas and Oil Royalty Trusts Rank by NTM Distribution Yield

			Natural					
		Revenue	Gas/		Dist/			Dist.
	Symbol	Royalty	Ebitda	Dist/	Equity	NTM Distr	ibution	Yield
		(%)	(%)	Ebitda	Ebitda	(\$mm)	(\$/un)	(%)
U.S. Royalty Trusts								
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT	84	69	0.98	0.98	22	3.60	8.1
Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR	100	59	1.00	1.00	57	3.92	9.2
Mesa RoyaltyTrust	MTR	-	75	0.88	0.88	10	5.34	9.4
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	-	99	0.83	0.83	148	3.17	10.2
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP	64	76	0.91	0.91	67	2.36	10.2
Permian Basin RT	PBT	35	41	0.85	0.85	70	1.50	10.4
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust	HGT	-	90	0.73	0.73	105	2.61	10.6
Total or Median			75	0.88	0.88	500		10.2
Canadian Income Trusts (US\$)								
Canadian Oil Sands Trust	COSWF	-	(10)	0.53	0.58	870	1.82	7.3
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF	-	49	0.56	0.64	536	4.36	10.3
Penn West Energy Trust	PWE	-	41	0.60	0.70	845	3.53	11.9
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH	-	45	0.83	1.12	626	2.60	15.3
Total or Median			43	0.58	0.67	2,900		11.1
Kinder Morgan Energy Partners	KMP			0.79	1.71			6.3

NTM = Next Twelve Months Ended March 31, 2008

Ebitda = Earnings before interest, tax, depreciation and amortization