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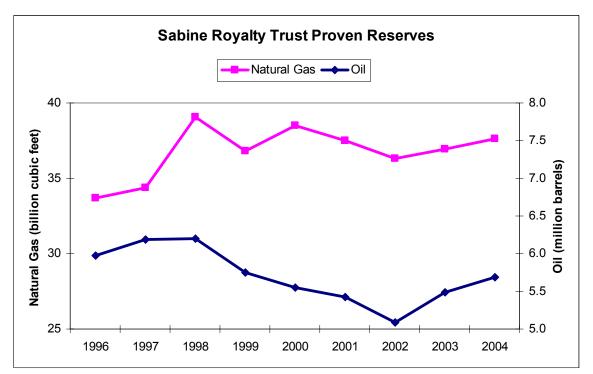
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Owner Vigilance Rewarded

Summary and Recommendation

Recent experience with **Sabine Royalty Trust (SBR)** demonstrates the need for owners to be ever watchful over valuable property. A proxy solicitation that started to destroy value has apparently been suspended as of January 31 and the stock has rebounded in price. We attempted to point out the dangers in our research on January 6 and January 20, 2006. On January 24, the trustee weighed in with advice. The unique advantages of U.S. royalty trusts are not well understood by regulators, analysts, the press and investors. As an example, the proven reserves of SBR have been growing for the past decade, confounding common expectations (see chart). Meanwhile our current projection is a median distribution yield in 2006 of 9.5% for U.S. royalty trusts. The distribution would likely be more than a median 8.5% for Canadian trusts, a group including buy-recommended **Canadian Oil Sands Trust (COSWF)** and buy-recommended **Penn West Energy Trust (PWTFF)**.

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Source: Adapted by McDep Associates from SBR Trustee Press Release, January 24, 2006

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U.S. Royalty Trusts	Symbol/ Rating		Price (\$/sh) 2-Feb 2006	Shares (mm)	Market Cap (\$mm)	Net Present Value (\$/un)	Debt/ Present Value	McDep Ratio
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust (46%)	HGT		38.07	18.4	700	34.00	-	1.12
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	Н	43.93	46.6	2,050	40.00	-	1.12
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP		27.81	28.2	790	26.00	-	1.07
Permian Basin RT	PBT		15.92	46.6	740	15.00	-	1.06
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT		46.95	6.0	280	45.00	-	1.04
Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR		43.50	14.6	630	42.00	-	1.04
Mesa RoyaltyTrust	MTR		67.31	1.9	130	75.00	-	0.89
Total or Median					5,300			1.06
Canadian Income Trusts								
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF		53.65	110.0	5,900	42.00	0.14	1.24
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH		24.40	159.0	3,880	20.00	0.16	1.19
Penn West Energy Trust	PWTFF	В	36.42	179.4	6,530	33.00	0.13	1.09
Canadian Oil Sands Trust (US\$)	COSWF	В	133.03	93.1	12,390	136.00	0.12	0.98
Total or Median					28,700		0.14	1.14

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

	Symbol/ Ra	ting	Price (\$/sh) 2-Feb 2006	Adjstd Resrvs/ Prod NTM	PV/ Ebitda NTM	EV/ Ebitda NTM	P/E NTM	Divd or Distrib NTM (%)
U.S. Royalty Trusts	CDT		46.05	18.9	10.3	10.0	10.9	0.2
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT	тт	46.95			10.8		9.2
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	Н	43.93	12.1	9.3	10.3	11.3	8.9
Sabine Royalty Trust	SBR		43.50	11.6	9.8	10.1	10.1	9.9
Dorchester Minerals, L.P.	DMLP		27.81	11.5	9.5	10.1	15.5	9.8
Mesa RoyaltyTrust	MTR		67.31	20.0	10.8	9.6	10.5	9.5
Hugoton RoyaltyTrust (46%)	HGT		38.07	13.5	8.1	9.1	11.3	8.9
Permian Basin RT	PBT		15.92	14.9	8.2	8.7	9.4	10.6
Median				13.5	9.5	10.1	10.9	9.5
Canadian Income Trusts								
Canadian Oil Sands Trust (US\$)	COSWF	В	133.03	20.0	11.3	11.1	14.6	2.6
Enerplus Resources Fund	ERF		53.65	8.6	5.7	7.0	10.9	8.2
Pengrowth Energy Trust	PGH		24.40	7.6	5.6	6.6	10.0	10.7
Penn West Energy Trust	PWTFF	В	36.42	8.0	5.6	6.1	9.3	8.9
Median				<i>8.3</i>	5.7	6.8	10.4	8.5

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

EV = Enterprise Value = Market Cap and Debt; Ebitda = Earnings before interest, tax, depreciationand amortization; NTM = Next Twelve Months Ended December 31, 2006; P/E = Stock Price toEarnings; PV = Present Value of oil and gas and other businesses

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