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A Weekly Analysis

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Record Distributions Projected

Up 5% in just the past week, present value seems compelling for three trusts and a partnership with **Hugoton Royalty Trust** and **Cross Timbers Royalty Trust** ranked most undervalued followed by **San Juan Basin Royalty Trust** and **Dorchester**

Hugoton, Ltd (see table). Higher commodity prices raise estimates of net asset value by about 5%. Natural gas and oil price quotes up 9% for the next twelve months raise distributions 9 to 12% to record levels. The sharp improvements in a short time remind us that commodity prices are the most important factor affecting changes in value. Our calculations tie closely to futures quotes and to yields of U.S. Treasury notes and inflation-protected securities. Estimates are also tied to volumes and costs that will also be updated when three royalty trusts report monthly information in a week or so.

		Price (\$/unit)				Net Asset	
		12-May	Units 2000	Cap (mm)	Debt (\$mm)	Value (\$/unit)	McDep Ratio
	Symbol						
Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd.	DHULZ	11.00	10.7	118	-	13.40	0.82
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	9.25	46.6	431	-	12.80	0.72
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT	12.75	6.0	77	-	19.00	0.67
Hugoton RT (42.5%)	HGT	9.81	17.0	167	-	14.90	0.66

Expectations for the next 12 months point to Dynamic Distribution Yields as high as 15% in cash (see table). The projected distribution for Cross Timbers Royalty Trust increases 9% while that for the others increases 12%. CRT's ownership in its properties is primarily a net revenue interest (NRI) as opposed to a net profits interest (NPI). NRI's have more protection than NPI's on the downside and less leverage on the upside.

		Price (\$/unit)	Distribution (\$/ unit)		Distribution Yield (Percent per year)	
		12-May		Taxable		Taxable
	Symbol	2000	Cash	Equivalent	Cash	Equivalent
Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd.	DHULZ	11.00	1.23	1.66	11.2	15.1
San Juan Basin Royalty Trust	SJT	9.25	1.17	1.81	12.6	19.5
Hugoton RT (42.5%)	HGT	9.81	1.49	1.78	15.2	18.1
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust	CRT	12.75	1.98	2.64	15.5	20.7

While monthly numbers fluctuate from trend, the payouts to be announced in a week, ought to be about \$0.14 per unit for CRT, \$0.10 for HGT and \$0.075 for SJT compared to \$0.12, \$0.09 and \$0.067, respectively, last month.

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Table CRT-1
Cross Timbers Royalty Trust
Present Value

Volume Decline (%/yr):	9	Price Escalation post 2002 (%/yr):	3.1
Volume Enhancement (%/yr):	7	Discount Rate (%/yr):	7.9
		U.S. TIPS Inflation (%/yr):	2.3
		U.S. 10 Year Yield (%/yr):	6.5

Year	Natural Gas Volume			Price (\$/mcf)	Revenue (\$mm)	Oil Net (\$mm)	Distribution (\$mm)	Tax Credit (\$/unit)	Disc Factor	Present Value (\$/unit)
	Basic (bcf)	Enhanced (bcf)	Total (bcf)							
Total 2000 through 2029										
	33	31	64	3.72	238	12	250	41.59	0.48	0.45
1999	3.3		3.3	1.99	6.5	0.0	6.6	1.09	0.16	
2000	3.0	0.3	3.3	2.79	9.1	2.0	11.0	1.84	0.16	0.96
2001	2.7	0.5	3.2	3.00	9.6	2.0	11.5	1.92	0.16	0.89
2002	2.5	0.7	3.1	2.73	8.6	1.2	9.7	1.62	0.16	0.83
2003	2.3	0.8	3.1	2.81	8.7	1.0	9.7	1.62		0.77
2004	2.1	1.0	3.1	2.90	8.9	0.9	9.7	1.62		0.71
2005	1.9	1.1	3.0	2.99	9.0	0.7	9.7	1.62		0.66
2006	1.8	1.2	3.0	3.08	9.1	0.6	9.8	1.63		0.61
2007	1.6	1.3	2.9	3.18	9.3	0.6	9.8	1.64		0.57
2008	1.5	1.4	2.9	3.28	9.4	0.5	9.9	1.65		0.52
2009	1.4	1.5	2.8	3.38	9.5	0.5	10.0	1.67		0.49
2010	1.3	1.5	2.8	3.48	9.7	0.4	10.1	1.68		0.45
2011	1.1	1.6	2.7	3.59	9.8	0.4	10.2	1.70		0.42
2012	1.1	1.6	2.7	3.70	9.9	0.3	10.3	1.71		0.39
2013	1.0	1.7	2.6	3.82	10.1	0.3	10.3	1.72		0.36
2014	0.9	1.7	2.6	3.93	10.2	0.2	10.4	1.74		0.33
2015	0.8	1.6	2.4	4.06	9.6		9.6	1.60		0.31
2016	0.7	1.4	2.2	4.18	9.0		9.0	1.50		0.29
2017	0.7	1.3	2.0	4.31	8.5		8.5	1.42		0.26
2018	0.6	1.2	1.8	4.44	8.0		8.0	1.33		0.24
2019	0.6	1.1	1.6	4.58	7.5		7.5	1.25		0.23
2020	0.5	1.0	1.5	4.72	7.1		7.1	1.18		0.21
2021	0.5	0.9	1.4	4.87	6.7		6.7	1.11		0.20
2022	0.4	0.8	1.2	5.02	6.3		6.3	1.04		0.18
2023	0.4	0.7	1.1	5.18	5.9		5.9	0.98		0.17
2024	0.4	0.7	1.0	5.34	5.5		5.5	0.92		0.16
2025	0.3	0.6	0.9	5.50	5.2		5.2	0.87		0.14
2026	0.3	0.6	0.9	5.67	4.9		4.9	0.82		0.13
2027	0.3	0.5	0.8	5.85	4.6		4.6	0.77		0.12
2028	0.3	0.5	0.7	6.03	4.3		4.3	0.72		0.11
2029	0.2	0.4	0.7	6.22	4.1		4.1	0.68		0.11

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Table DHULZ-2
Dorchester Hugoton, Ltd.
Income Model

	Year 1998	<i>Q1</i> 3/31/99	<i>Q2</i> 6/30/99	<i>Q3</i> 9/30/99	<i>Q4</i> 12/31/99	Year 1999	<i>Q1E</i> 3/31/00	<i>Q2E</i> 6/30/00	<i>Q3E</i> 9/30/00	<i>Q4E</i> 12/31/00	Year 2000E	<i>Q1E</i> 3/31/01
Highlights												
Revenue (\$mm)	15.37	3.06	3.51	4.34	4.39	15.3	4.16	5.17	5.44	5.56	20.3	5.34
Cash flow (\$mm)	11.02	2.09	2.35	3.25	3.25	10.9	3.09	4.05	4.32	4.44	15.9	4.22
Per unit	1.02	0.19	0.22	0.30	0.30	1.01	0.28	0.37	0.40	0.41	1.46	0.39
Earnings (\$mm)	9.01	1.60	1.89	2.77	2.78	9.0	2.64	3.58	3.85	3.98	14.1	3.77
Per unit	0.83	0.15	0.17	0.26	0.26	0.83	0.24	0.33	0.35	0.37	1.29	0.35
Distribution (\$mm)	7.74	1.93	1.93	1.93	1.93	7.7	3.01	1.93	1.93	1.93	8.8	7.43
Per unit	0.72	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.72	0.28	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.82	0.69
Units (millions)	10.74	10.74	10.74	10.74	10.74	10.7	10.74	10.74	10.74	10.74	10.7	10.74
Volume												
Natural gas (bcf)												
Oklahoma	5.74	1.42	1.33	1.40	1.43	5.6	1.39	1.37	1.37	1.36	5.5	1.33
Kansas	1.70	0.35	0.34	0.33	0.31	1.3	0.29	0.30	0.30	0.29	1.2	0.29
Total	7.44	1.76	1.67	1.72	1.74	6.9	1.68	1.67	1.67	1.65	6.7	1.62
Natural Gas (mmcfd)	20.4	19.6	18.4	18.7	18.9	18.9	18.5	18.3	18.1	17.9	18.2	17.8
Days	365	90	91	92	92	365	91	91	92	92	366	91
Price												
Natural gas												
Henry Hub (\$/mmbtu)		1.79	2.22	2.52	2.45	2.24	2.62	3.22	3.39	3.50	3.18	3.43
Oklahoma (\$/mcf)	2.11	1.77	2.15	2.60	2.60	2.28	2.53	3.22	3.39	3.50	3.16	3.43
Kansas (\$/mcf)	2.22	1.85	2.26	2.68	2.70	2.36	2.72	3.29	3.46	3.57	3.26	3.50
Total (\$/mcf)	2.14	1.79	2.17	2.62	2.62	2.30	2.57	3.23	3.40	3.51	3.18	3.45
Revenue (\$mm)												
Natural Gas												
Oklahoma	12.11	2.50	2.87	3.63	3.73	12.7	3.53	4.41	4.64	4.75	17.3	4.56
Kansas	3.77	0.64	0.76	0.88	0.83	3.1	0.79	0.98	1.03	1.05	3.8	1.01
Other	0.23	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.2	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.2	0.05
Production payment (ORRI)	(0.73)	(0.14)	(0.17)	(0.22)	(0.23)	(0.8)	(0.21)	(0.27)	(0.28)	(0.29)	(1.0)	(0.28)
Total	15.37	3.06	3.51	4.34	4.39	15.3	4.16	5.17	5.44	5.56	20.3	5.34
Cost (\$mm)												
Operating	3.54	0.79	0.96	0.90	0.95	3.6	0.92	0.91	0.91	0.91	3.6	0.91
General and administrative	0.53	0.14	0.13	0.14	0.16	0.6	0.14	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.6	0.16
Management	0.49	0.12	0.12	0.13	0.13	0.5	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.5	0.13
Other	(0.22)	(0.06)	(0.05)	(0.08)	(0.10)	(0.3)	(0.11)	(0.08)	(0.08)	(0.08)	(0.3)	(0.08)
Total	4.35	0.98	1.16	1.09	1.13	4.4	1.07	1.12	1.12	1.12	4.4	1.12
Cash flow (\$mm)	11.02	2.09	2.35	3.25	3.25	10.9	3.09	4.05	4.32	4.44	15.9	4.22
Depletion, deprec. & amort.	2.02	0.49	0.46	0.48	0.48	1.9	0.45	0.47	0.47	0.46	1.8	0.45
Earnings (\$mm)	9.01	1.60	1.89	2.77	2.78	9.0	2.64	3.58	3.85	3.98	14.1	3.77
Capital expenditures (\$mm)	1.14	0.04	0.05	0.21	0.10	0.4	0.04	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.5	0.15
<i>Modeling ratios</i>												
Prod pay/revenue	4.6%	4.3%	4.5%	4.9%	5.0%	4.7%	4.8%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%	5.0%
Operating cost (\$/mcf)	0.48	0.45	0.57	0.52	0.54	0.52	0.54	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.56
Depletion (\$/mcf)	0.27	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.27	0.28	0.27	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.28

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