

## Form 10-Q

QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended **June 30, 2008**

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES  
EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Commission File Number: 1-10476

### Hugoton Royalty Trust

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Texas  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

58-6379215  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

U.S. Trust, Bank of America  
Private Wealth Management  
P.O. Box 830650, Dallas, Texas  
(Address of principal executive offices)

75283-0650  
(Zip Code)

(877) 228-5083  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

NONE  
(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if change since last report)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer or a smaller reporting company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act (check one):

Large accelerated filer  Accelerated filer   
Non-accelerated filer  (Do not check if a smaller reporting company) Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 12b-2). Yes  No

Indicate the number of units of beneficial interest outstanding, as of the latest practicable date:

Outstanding as of July 1, 2008  
40,000,000

# HUGOTON ROYALTY TRUST

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### GLOSSARY OF TERMS

The following are definitions of significant terms used in this Form 10-Q:

<i>Bbl</i>	Barrel (of oil)
<i>Mcf</i>	Thousand cubic feet (of natural gas)
<i>MMBtu</i>	One million British Thermal Units, a common energy measurement
<i>net proceeds</i>	Gross proceeds received by XTO Energy from sale of production from the underlying properties, less applicable costs, as defined in the net profits interest conveyances
<i>net profits income</i>	Net proceeds multiplied by the net profits percentage of 80%, which is paid to the trust by XTO Energy. “Net profits income” is referred to as “royalty income” for tax reporting purposes.
<i>net profits interest</i>	<p>An interest in an oil and gas property measured by net profits from the sale of production, rather than a specific portion of production. The following defined net profits interests were conveyed to the trust from the underlying properties:</p> <p><i>80% net profits interests</i> - interests that entitle the trust to receive 80% of the net proceeds from the underlying properties.</p>
<i>underlying properties</i>	XTO Energy’s interest in certain oil and gas properties from which the net profits interests were conveyed. The underlying properties include working interests in predominantly gas-producing properties located in Kansas, Oklahoma and Wyoming.
<i>working interest</i>	An operating interest in an oil and gas property that provides the owner a specified share of production that is subject to all production expense and development costs

## **HUGOTON ROYALTY TRUST**

### **PART I - FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

#### *Item 1. Financial Statements.*

The condensed financial statements included herein are presented, without audit, pursuant to the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Certain information and footnote disclosures normally included in annual financial statements have been condensed or omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations, although the trustee believes that the disclosures are adequate to make the information presented not misleading. These condensed financial statements should be read in conjunction with the trust's financial statements and the notes thereto included in the trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K. In the opinion of the trustee, all adjustments, consisting only of normal recurring adjustments, necessary to present fairly the assets, liabilities and trust corpus of the Hugoton Royalty Trust at June 30, 2008 and the distributable income and changes in trust corpus for the three- and six-month periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007 have been included. Distributable income for such interim periods is not necessarily indicative of the distributable income for the full year.

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

Bank of America, N.A., as Trustee  
for the Hugoton Royalty Trust:

We have reviewed the accompanying condensed statement of assets, liabilities and trust corpus of the Hugoton Royalty Trust as of June 30, 2008 and the related condensed statements of distributable income and changes in trust corpus for the three- and six-month periods ended June 30, 2008 and 2007. These condensed financial statements are the responsibility of the trustee.

We conducted our review in accordance with standards established by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). A review of interim financial information consists principally of applying analytical procedures to financial data and making inquiries of persons responsible for financial and accounting matters. It is substantially less in scope than an audit conducted in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion.

The accompanying condensed financial statements are prepared on a modified cash basis as described in Note 1 which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Based on our review, we are not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the condensed financial statements referred to above for them to be in conformity with the basis of accounting described in Note 1.

We have previously audited, in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States), the statement of assets, liabilities and trust corpus of the Hugoton Royalty Trust as of December 31, 2007, and the related statements of distributable income and changes in trust corpus for the year then ended (not presented herein), included in the trust's 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K, and in our report dated February 25, 2008, we expressed an unqualified opinion on those financial statements. In our opinion, the information set forth in the accompanying condensed statement of assets, liabilities and trust corpus as of December 31, 2007 is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the statement of assets, liabilities and trust corpus included in the trust's 2007 Annual Report on Form 10-K from which it has been derived.

KPMG LLP

Fort Worth, Texas  
July 21, 2008

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### Condensed Statements of Assets, Liabilities and Trust Corpus

	<b>June 30, 2008</b>	<b>December 31, 2007</b>
	(Unaudited)	
<b>ASSETS</b>		
Cash and short-term investments .....	\$ 12,301,280	\$ 5,214,000
Net profits interests in oil and gas properties - net (Note 1) .....	<u>151,013,766</u>	<u>155,820,033</u>
	<u>\$ 163,315,046</u>	<u>\$ 161,034,033</u>
<b>LIABILITIES AND TRUST CORPUS</b>		
Distribution payable to unitholders.....	\$ 12,301,280	\$ 5,214,000
Trust corpus (40,000,000 units of beneficial interest authorized and outstanding) .....	<u>151,013,766</u>	<u>155,820,033</u>
	<u>\$ 163,315,046</u>	<u>\$ 161,034,033</u>

The accompanying notes to condensed financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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### Condensed Statements of Distributable Income (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Net profits income.....	\$ 33,899,248	\$ 21,251,246	\$ 55,935,102	\$ 37,986,631
Interest income.....	<u>18,965</u>	<u>40,122</u>	<u>42,751</u>	<u>69,169</u>
Total income.....	<b>33,918,213</b>	21,291,368	<b>55,977,853</b>	38,055,800
Administration expense .....	<u>363,293</u>	<u>445,368</u>	<u>653,773</u>	<u>967,520</u>
Distributable income.....	<u>\$ 33,554,920</u>	<u>\$ 20,846,000</u>	<u>\$ 55,324,080</u>	<u>\$ 37,088,280</u>
Distributable income per unit (40,000,000 units).....	<u>\$ 0.838873</u>	<u>\$ 0.521150</u>	<u>\$ 1.383102</u>	<u>\$ 0.927207</u>

The accompanying notes to condensed financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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### Condensed Statements of Changes in Trust Corpus (Unaudited)

	Three Months Ended June 30		Six Months Ended June 30	
	2008	2007	2008	2007
Trust corpus, beginning of period.....	\$ 153,688,416	\$ 161,914,911	\$ 155,820,033	\$ 163,796,772
Amortization of net profits interests.....	(2,674,650)	(2,320,017)	(4,806,267)	(4,201,878)
Distributable income .....	33,554,920	20,846,000	55,324,080	37,088,280
Distributions declared .....	<u>(33,554,920)</u>	<u>(20,846,000)</u>	<u>(55,324,080)</u>	<u>(37,088,280)</u>
Trust corpus, end of period.....	<u>\$ 151,013,766</u>	<u>\$ 159,594,894</u>	<u>\$ 151,013,766</u>	<u>\$ 159,594,894</u>

The accompanying notes to condensed financial statements are an integral part of these statements.

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### Notes to Condensed Financial Statements (Unaudited)

#### 1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of Hugoton Royalty Trust are prepared on the following basis and are not intended to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles (“GAAP”):

- Net profits income recorded for a month is the amount computed and paid by XTO Energy Inc., the owner of the underlying properties, to Bank of America, N.A., as trustee for the trust. Net profits income consists of net proceeds received by XTO Energy from the underlying properties in the prior month, multiplied by a net profits percentage of 80%.  
  
Costs deducted in the calculation of net proceeds for the 80% net profits interests generally include applicable taxes, transportation, marketing and legal costs, production expense, development costs, operating charges and other costs.
- Net profits income is computed separately for each of three conveyances under which the net profits interests were conveyed to the trust. If monthly costs exceed revenues for any conveyance, such excess costs must be recovered, with accrued interest, from future net proceeds of that conveyance and cannot reduce net proceeds from the other conveyances.
- Trust expenses are recorded based on liabilities paid and cash reserves established by the trustee for liabilities and contingencies.
- Distributions to unitholders are recorded when declared by the trustee.

The trust’s financial statements differ from those prepared in conformity with U.S. GAAP because revenues are recognized when received rather than accrued in the month of production, expenses are recognized when paid rather than when incurred and certain cash reserves may be established by the trustee for contingencies which would not be recorded under U.S. GAAP. This comprehensive basis of accounting other than U.S. GAAP corresponds to the accounting permitted for royalty trusts by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, as specified by Staff Accounting Bulletin Topic 12:E, Financial Statements of Royalty Trusts.

Most accounting pronouncements apply to entities whose financial statements are prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP, directing such entities to accrue or defer revenues and expenses in a period other than when such revenues were received or expenses were paid. Because the trust’s financial statements are prepared on the modified cash basis, as described above, most accounting pronouncements are not applicable to the trust’s financial statements.

The initial carrying value of the net profits interests of \$247,066,951 represents XTO Energy’s historical net book value for the interests on December 1, 1998, the date of the transfer to the trust. Amortization of the net profits interests is calculated on a unit-of-production basis and charged directly to trust corpus. Accumulated amortization was \$96,053,185 as of June 30, 2008 and \$91,246,918 as of December 31, 2007.

## 2. Development Costs

The following summarizes actual development costs, budgeted development costs deducted in the calculation of net profits income, and the cumulative actual costs compared to the amount deducted:

	<b>Three Months Ended</b>		<b>Six Months Ended</b>	
	<b>June 30</b>		<b>June 30</b>	
	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>	<b>2007</b>
Cumulative actual costs under (over)				
the amount deducted - beginning				
of period .....	<b>\$ 1,432,611</b>	\$ 5,311,688	<b>\$ (675,754)</b>	\$ (3,410,174)
Actual costs .....	<b>(7,953,439)</b>	(10,010,915)	<b>(17,095,074)</b>	(13,789,053)
Budgeted costs deducted .....	<b>11,250,000</b>	7,750,000	<b>22,500,000</b>	20,250,000
Cumulative actual costs under (over)				
the amount deducted - end of period .....	<b><u>\$ 4,729,172</u></b>	<u>\$ 3,050,773</u>	<b><u>\$ 4,729,172</u></b>	<u>\$ 3,050,773</u>

As a result of decreased development activity in first quarter 2007 and based on the development budget for 2007, the development cost deduction was lowered to \$3.75 million per month beginning with the February 2007 distribution. Because of lower than anticipated actual costs as a result of the timing of expenditures, the development cost deduction was lowered to \$2.0 million for the April and May 2007 distributions, but was increased to \$3.75 million with the June 2007 distribution and was maintained at \$3.75 million for the remainder of 2007 through second quarter 2008.

XTO Energy has advised the trustee that total 2008 budgeted development costs for the underlying properties are approximately \$46.0 million. The 2008 budget year generally coincides with the trust distribution months from April 2008 through March 2009. Based on the development budget for 2008, the development cost deduction is expected to be maintained at \$3.75 million for the remainder of 2008. The monthly development cost deduction will be reevaluated by XTO Energy and revised as necessary, based on the 2008 budget and the timing and amount of actual expenditures.

## 3. Contingencies

### *Litigation*

On October 17, 1997, an action, styled *United States of America ex rel. Grynberg v. Cross Timbers Oil Company, et al.*, was filed in the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma by Jack J. Grynberg on behalf of the United States under the *qui tam* provisions of the U.S. False Claims Act against XTO Energy. The plaintiff alleges that XTO Energy underpaid royalties on natural gas produced from federal leases and lands owned by Native Americans in amounts in excess of 20% as a result of mismeasuring the volume of natural gas, incorrectly analyzing its heating content and improperly valuing the natural gas during at least the past ten years. The plaintiff seeks treble damages for the unpaid royalties (with interest, attorney's fees and expenses), civil penalties between \$5,000 and \$10,000 for each violation of the U.S. False Claims Act, and an order for XTO Energy to cease the allegedly improper measuring practices. This lawsuit against XTO Energy and similar lawsuits filed by Grynberg against more than 300 other companies was consolidated in the United States District Court for Wyoming. In October 2002, the court granted a motion to dismiss Grynberg's royalty valuation claims, and Grynberg's appeal of this decision was dismissed for lack of appellate jurisdiction in May 2003. In response to a motion to dismiss filed by XTO Energy and other defendants, in October 2006 the district judge held that Grynberg failed to establish the jurisdictional requirements to maintain the action against XTO Energy and other defendants and dismissed the actions for lack of subject matter jurisdiction. Grynberg has filed an appeal of this decision. While XTO Energy is unable to predict the final outcome of this

case or estimate the amount of any possible loss, it has informed the trustee that it believes that the allegations of this lawsuit are without merit and intends to vigorously defend the action. However, an order to change measuring practices or a related settlement could adversely affect the trust by reducing net proceeds in the future by an amount that is presently not determinable, but, in XTO Energy management's opinion, is not currently expected to be material to the trust's annual distributable income, financial position or liquidity.

An amended petition for a class action lawsuit, *Beer, et al. v. XTO Energy Inc.*, was filed in January 2006, in the District Court of Texas County, Oklahoma by royalty owners of natural gas wells in Oklahoma. The plaintiffs allege that XTO Energy has not properly accounted to the plaintiffs for the royalties to which they are entitled and seek an accounting regarding the natural gas and other products produced from their wells and the prices paid for the natural gas and other products produced, and for payment of the monies allegedly owed since June 2002, with a certain limited number of plaintiffs claiming monies owed for additional time. XTO Energy removed the case to federal district court in Oklahoma City. A hearing on the class certification has not been scheduled. The plaintiffs have not alleged in their petition an amount that they are seeking. XTO Energy has informed the trustee that it believes that it has strong defenses to this lawsuit and intends to vigorously defend its position. However, if XTO Energy ultimately makes any settlement payments or receives a judgment against it, the trust will bear its 80% share of such settlement or judgment related to production from the underlying properties. Additionally, if a judgment or settlement increases the amount of future payments to royalty owners, the trust would bear its proportionate share of the increased payments through reduced net proceeds. XTO Energy has informed the trustee that, although the amount of any reduction in net proceeds is not presently determinable, in its management's opinion, the amount is not currently expected to be material to the trust's annual distributable income, financial position or liquidity.

Certain of the underlying properties are involved in various other lawsuits and certain governmental proceedings arising in the ordinary course of business. XTO Energy has advised the trustee that it does not believe that the ultimate resolution of these claims will have a material effect on trust annual distributable income, financial position or liquidity.

#### *Other*

Several states have enacted legislation to require state income tax withholding from nonresident recipients of oil and gas proceeds. After consultation with its state tax counsel, XTO Energy has advised the trustee that it believes the trust is not subject to these withholding requirements. However, regulations could be issued by the various states which could change this conclusion. Should the trust be required to withhold state taxes, distributions to the unitholders would be reduced by the required amount, subject to the unitholder's right to file a state tax return to claim any refund due.

#### **4. Excess Costs**

Costs exceeded revenues by \$853,468 (\$682,774 net to the trust) on properties underlying the Wyoming net profits interests in November and December 2007. Limited pipeline capacity for shipping from the Rocky Mountain region and excess regional supply led to significantly lower realized regional gas prices for production. These lower gas prices caused costs to exceed revenues on properties underlying the Wyoming net profits interests, however, these excess costs did not reduce net proceeds from the remaining conveyances.

XTO Energy advised the trustee that with the onset of winter demand and the completion of the first phase of a major pipeline expansion in January 2008, Rocky Mountain gas prices increased and the excess costs, plus accrued interest of \$10,090 (\$8,072 net to the trust), were fully recovered by February 2008.

*Item 2. Trustee's Discussion and Analysis.*

The following discussion should be read in conjunction with the trustee's discussion and analysis contained in the trust's 2007 annual report, as well as the condensed financial statements and notes thereto included in this quarterly report on Form 10-Q. The trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K, quarterly reports on Form 10-Q, current reports on Form 8-K and all amendments to those reports are available on the trust's web site at [www.hugotontrust.com](http://www.hugotontrust.com).

**Distributable Income**

*Quarter*

For the quarter ended June 30, 2008, net profits income was \$33,899,248, as compared to \$21,251,246 for second quarter 2007. This 60% increase in net profits income is primarily the result of higher oil and gas prices and increased oil and gas sales volumes, partially offset by higher development costs and higher taxes, transportation and other costs. See "Net Profits Income" on the following page.

After adding interest income of \$18,965 and deducting administration expense of \$363,293, distributable income for the quarter ended June 30, 2008 was \$33,554,920, or \$0.838873 per unit of beneficial interest. Administration expense for the first six months of 2008 was lower than in the first six months of 2007 primarily because of the timing of expenditures. For second quarter 2007, distributable income was \$20,846,000, or \$0.521150 per unit. Distributions to unitholders for the quarter ended June 30, 2008 were:

<u>Record Date</u>	<u>Payment Date</u>	<u>Distribution per Unit</u>
April 30, 2008	May 14, 2008	\$ 0.227840
May 30, 2008	June 13, 2008	0.303501
June 30, 2008	July 15, 2008	<u>0.307532</u>
		<u>\$ 0.838873</u>

*Six Months*

For the six months ended June 30, 2008, net profits income was \$55,935,102 compared with \$37,986,631 for the same 2007 period. This 47% increase in net profits income is primarily the result of higher oil and gas prices and increased oil and gas sales volumes partially offset by higher development costs and higher taxes, transportation and other costs. See "Net Profits Income" on the following page.

After adding interest income of \$42,751 and deducting administration expense of \$653,773, distributable income for the six months ended June 30, 2008 was \$55,324,080, or \$1.383102 per unit of beneficial interest. Administration expense for the first six months of 2008 was lower than in the first six months of 2007 primarily because of lower costs related to unitholder tax reporting, as a result of a decrease in the number of unitholders and the timing of expenditures. For the six months ended June 30, 2007, distributable income was \$37,088,280, or \$0.927207 per unit.

## **Net Profits Income**

Net profits income is recorded when received by the trust, which is the month following receipt by XTO Energy, and generally two months after oil and gas production. Net profits income is generally affected by three major factors:

- oil and gas sales volumes,
- oil and gas sales prices, and
- costs deducted in the calculation of net profits income.

The following is a summary of the calculation of net profits income received by the trust:

	Three Months		Increase (Decrease)	Six Months		Increase (Decrease)
	Ended June 30 (a)			Ended June 30 (a)		
	2008	2007		2008	2007	
<b>Sales Volumes</b>						
Gas (Mcf) (b)						
Underlying properties .....	7,100,086	6,772,042	5%	14,267,674	13,858,793	3%
Average per day .....	78,890	76,090	4%	78,394	76,568	2%
Net profits interests .....	3,861,217	3,267,244	18%	6,938,696	5,917,208	17%
Oil (Bbls) (b)						
Underlying properties .....	94,807	78,597	21%	169,028	146,723	15%
Average per day .....	1,053	883	19%	929	811	15%
Net profits interests .....	50,066	40,089	25%	84,931	73,266	16%
<b>Average Sales Prices</b>						
Gas (per Mcf) .....	\$ 8.26	\$ 6.21	33%	\$ 7.37	\$ 6.07	21%
Oil (per Bbl) .....	\$ 102.16	\$ 58.60	74%	\$ 98.69	\$ 57.94	70%
<b>Revenues</b>						
Gas sales .....	\$ 58,622,294	\$ 42,048,589	39%	\$105,120,701	\$ 84,113,926	25%
Oil sales .....	9,685,436	4,605,736	110%	16,681,879	8,500,434	96%
Total Revenues .....	68,307,730	46,654,325	46%	121,802,580	92,614,360	32%
<b>Costs</b>						
Taxes, transportation and other .....	5,986,350	4,588,818	30%	11,439,921	9,453,616	21%
Production expense .....	6,324,110	5,556,962	14%	12,394,124	11,015,529	13%
Development costs (c) .....	11,250,000	7,750,000	45%	22,500,000	20,250,000	11%
Overhead .....	2,373,210	2,194,487	8%	4,686,099	4,411,926	6%
Excess Costs (d) .....	-	-	-	863,558	-	-
Total Costs .....	25,933,670	20,090,267	29%	51,883,702	45,131,071	15%
Net Proceeds .....	42,374,060	26,564,058	60%	69,918,878	47,483,289	47%
Net Profits Percentage .....	80%	80%		80%	80%	
Net Profits Income .....	\$ 33,899,248	\$ 21,251,246	60%	\$ 55,935,102	\$ 37,986,631	47%

(a) Because of the two-month interval between time of production and receipt of net profits income by the trust, (1) oil and gas sales for the quarter ended June 30 generally represent production for the period February through April and (2) oil and gas sales for the six months ended June 30 generally represent production for the period November through April.

(b) Oil and gas sales volumes are allocated to the net profits interests based upon a formula that considers oil and gas prices and the total amount of production expense and development costs. Changes in any of these factors may result in disproportionate fluctuations in volumes allocated to the net profits interests. Therefore, comparative discussion of oil and gas sales volumes is based on the underlying properties.

(c) See Note 2 to Condensed Financial Statements.

(d) See Note 4 to Condensed Financial Statements.

The following are explanations of significant variances on the underlying properties from second quarter 2007 to second quarter 2008 and from the first six months of 2007 to the comparable period in 2008:

## **Sales Volumes**

### *Gas*

Gas sales volumes increased 5% for the second quarter and 3% for the six-month period. Increased gas sales volumes are primarily because of increased production from new wells and workovers and the timing of cash receipts, partially offset by natural production decline.

### *Oil*

Oil sales volumes increased 21% for the second quarter and 15% for the six-month period primarily because of increased production from new wells and workovers and the timing of cash receipts, partially offset by natural production decline. In addition, oil sales volumes increased for the six-month period because of prior period volume adjustments in 2007.

## **Sales Prices**

### *Gas*

The second quarter 2008 average gas price was \$8.26 per Mcf, a 33% increase from the first quarter 2007 average gas price of \$6.21 per Mcf. For the six-month period, the average gas price increased 21% to \$7.37 per Mcf in 2008 from \$6.07 per Mcf in 2007. Although the U.S. entered the winter with above average gas in storage, a normal winter and lower liquified natural gas imports led to normal gas storage levels. As a result of tighter storage levels and higher oil prices, recent gas prices have reached as high as \$13.00 per MMBtu. Prices will continue to be affected by weather, oil prices, the U.S. economy, the level of North American production and import levels of liquified natural gas. Natural gas prices are expected to remain volatile. The second quarter 2008 gas price is primarily related to production from February through April 2008, when the average NYMEX price was \$8.83 per MMBtu. The average NYMEX price for May and June 2008 was \$11.60 per MMBtu. At July 15, 2008, the average NYMEX futures price for the following twelve months was \$11.64 per MMBtu. Recent trust gas prices have averaged approximately 6% lower than the NYMEX price.

### *Oil*

The second quarter 2008 average oil price was \$102.16 per Bbl, a 74% increase from the second quarter 2007 average oil price of \$58.60 per Bbl. The year-to-date average oil price increased 70% to \$98.69 per Bbl in 2008 from \$57.94 per Bbl in 2007. Oil prices have risen primarily because of increasing global demand and supply shortage concerns, inadequate sour crude refining capacity and political instability. In the last few months of 2007 and first half of 2008, continued tension in the Middle East, weakness in the U.S. dollar and strong demand caused prices to reach record levels of above \$147.00 per Bbl. Oil prices are expected to remain volatile. The second quarter 2008 oil price is primarily related to production from February through April 2008, when the average NYMEX price was \$104.21 per Bbl. The average NYMEX price for May and June 2008 was \$130.14 per Bbl. At July 15, 2008, the average NYMEX futures price for the following twelve months was \$140.40 per Bbl. Recent trust oil prices have averaged approximately 1% lower than the NYMEX price.

## **Costs**

### *Taxes, Transportation and Other*

Taxes, transportation and other increased 30% for the quarter and 21% for the six-month period primarily because of increased production taxes related to higher oil and gas revenues.

### *Production*

Production expense increased 14% for the quarter and 13% for the six-month period primarily because of increased repair and maintenance, labor and fuel costs, partially offset by mechanical and marketing rebates.

### *Development*

Development costs deducted in the calculation of net profits income are based on the development budget. These development costs increased 45% for the second quarter and 11% for the six-month period primarily because of the timing of development activity. During the first half of 2008, 12 wells were completed on the underlying properties and 17 wells were pending completion at June 30.

As of December 31, 2007, cumulative actual costs exceeded cumulative budgeted costs deducted by approximately \$0.7 million. In calculating net profits income, XTO Energy deducted budgeted development costs of \$11.3 million for the quarter and \$22.5 million for the six-month period. After considering actual development costs of \$8.0 million for the quarter and \$17.1 million for the six-month period, cumulative budgeted costs deducted exceeded actual costs by approximately \$4.7 million at June 30, 2008.

XTO Energy has advised the trustee that total 2008 budgeted development costs for the underlying properties are approximately \$46.0 million. The 2008 budget year generally coincides with the trust distribution months from April 2008 through March 2009. Based on the development budget for 2008, the development cost deduction is expected to be maintained at \$3.75 million for the remainder of 2008. The monthly development cost deduction will be reevaluated by XTO Energy and revised as necessary, based on the 2008 budget and the timing and amount of actual expenditures. See Note 2 to Condensed Financial Statements.

### *Overhead*

Overhead increased 8% for the quarter and 6% for the six-month period primarily because of the annual rate adjustment based on an industry index.

### *Excess Costs*

Costs exceeded revenues by \$853,468 (\$682,774 net to the trust) on properties underlying the Wyoming net profits interests in November and December 2007. Limited pipeline capacity for shipping from the Rocky Mountain region and excess regional supply led to significantly lower realized regional gas prices for production. These lower gas prices caused costs to exceed revenues on properties underlying the Wyoming net profits interests, however, these excess costs did not reduce net proceeds from the remaining conveyances.

XTO Energy advised the trustee that with the onset of winter demand and the completion of the first phase of a major pipeline expansion in January 2008, Rocky Mountain gas prices increased and the excess costs, plus accrued interest of \$10,090 (\$8,072 net to the trust), were fully recovered by February 2008.

## **Forward-Looking Statements**

This Form 10-Q includes “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this Form 10-Q, including, without limitation, statements regarding the net profits interests, underlying properties, development activities, annual and monthly development, production and other costs and expenses, oil and gas prices and differentials to NYMEX prices, supply shortages, future drilling, workover and restimulation plans, distributions to unitholders and industry and market conditions, are forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties which are detailed in Part I, Item 1A of the trust’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007, which is incorporated by this reference as though fully set forth herein. Although XTO Energy and the trustee believe that the expectations reflected in such forward-looking statements are reasonable, neither XTO Energy nor the trustee can give any assurance that such expectations will prove to be correct.

### *Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures about Market Risk.*

There have been no material changes in the trust’s market risks, as disclosed in Part II, Item 7A of the trust’s Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007.

### *Item 4. Controls and Procedures.*

As of the end of the period covered by this report, the trustee carried out an evaluation of the effectiveness of the trust’s disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-15 and 15d-15. Based upon that evaluation, the trustee concluded that the trust’s disclosure controls and procedures are effective in timely alerting the trustee to material information relating to the trust required to be included in the trust’s periodic filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. In its evaluation of disclosure controls and procedures, the trustee has relied, to the extent considered reasonable, on information provided by XTO Energy. There has not been any change in the trust’s internal control over financial reporting during the period covered by this report that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the trust’s internal control over financial reporting.

## PART II - OTHER INFORMATION

### *Item 1.*

Not applicable.

### *Item 1A. Risk Factors.*

There have been no material changes in the risk factors disclosed under Part I, Item 1A of the trust's Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2007.

### *Items 2 through 5.*

Not applicable.

### *Item 6. Exhibits.*

#### (a) Exhibits.

##### Exhibit Number and Description

- (15) Awareness letter of KPMG LLP
- (31) Rule 13a-14(a)/15d-14(a) Certification
- (32) Section 1350 Certification
- (99) Items 1A, 7 and 7A to the Annual Report on Form 10-K for Hugoton Royalty Trust filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 26, 2008 (incorporated herein by reference)

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

HUGOTON ROYALTY TRUST  
By BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., TRUSTEE

By           /S/ NANCY G. WILLIS            
Nancy G. Willis  
Vice President

XTO ENERGY INC.

Date: July 22, 2008

By           /S/ LOUIS G. BALDWIN            
Louis G. Baldwin  
Executive Vice President  
and Chief Financial Officer

**EXHIBIT 15**

July 22, 2008

Bank of America, N.A. as Trustee  
for the Hugoton Royalty Trust:

Re: Registration Statement No. 333-81849 on Form S-8

With respect to the subject registration statement, we acknowledge our awareness of the use therein of our report dated July 21, 2008 related to our review of interim financial information.

Pursuant to Rule 436 under the Securities Act of 1933 (the Act), such report is not considered part of a registration statement prepared or certified by an independent registered public accounting firm, or a report prepared or certified by an independent registered public accounting firm within the meaning of Sections 7 and 11 of the Act.

KPMG LLP

Fort Worth, Texas

## CERTIFICATIONS

I, Nancy G. Willis, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this quarterly report on Form 10-Q of Hugoton Royalty Trust, for which Bank of America, N.A. acts as Trustee;
2. Based on my knowledge, this quarterly report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this quarterly report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this quarterly report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, distributable income and changes in trust corpus of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this quarterly report;
4. I am responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)), or for causing such controls and procedures to be established and maintained, for the registrant and I have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under my supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to me by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under my supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report my conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. I have disclosed, based on my most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors:
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

In giving the certifications in paragraphs 4 and 5 above, I have relied to the extent I consider reasonable on information provided to me by XTO Energy Inc.

Date: July 22, 2008

By /s/ NANCY G. WILLIS

Nancy G. Willis

Vice President

Bank of America, N.A.

**Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350,  
as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002**

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Hugoton Royalty Trust (the "Trust") on Form 10-Q for the quarterly period ended June 30, 2008 as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned, not in its individual capacity but solely as the trustee of the Trust, certifies pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to its knowledge:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and

(2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Trust.

Bank of America, N.A.,  
Trustee for Hugoton Royalty Trust

July 22, 2008

By                     /s/ NANCY G. WILLIS                      
Nancy G. Willis  
Vice President