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NORTH EUROPEAN OIL ROYALTY TRUST  
Form 10-Q  
May 31, 2007

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

Quarterly report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the quarterly period ended April 30, 2007 or

Transition report pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ .

Commission file number 1-8245

NORTH EUROPEAN OIL ROYALTY TRUST

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

22-2084119

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(State of organization)

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(I.R.S. Employer I.D. No.)

Suite 19A, 43 West Front Street, Red Bank, New Jersey 07701

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(732) 741-4008

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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

Large accelerated filer \_\_\_\_\_ Accelerated filer  Non-accelerated filer \_\_\_\_\_

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

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| Class                        | Outstanding at April 30, 2007 |
|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| -----                        | -----                         |
| Units of Beneficial Interest | 9,190,590                     |

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PART I -- FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.

STATEMENTS OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND TRUST CORPUS (NOTE 1)

April 30, 2007 AND OCTOBER 31, 2006

|   | 2007                  | 2006                  |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------|
|   | -----                 | -----                 |
|   | (unaudited)           |                       |
| Current assets - - Cash and cash equivalents (Note 1)                     | \$ 7,449,592          | \$ 7,204,250          |
| Producing gas and oil royalty rights, net of amortization (Notes 1 and 2) | 1                     | 1                     |
| Total Assets  | \$ 7,449,593<br>===== | \$ 7,204,251<br>===== |
| Current liabilities - - Cash distributions payable to unit owners         | \$ 7,352,472          | \$ 7,168,660          |
| Contingent liability (Note 3)   |                       |                       |
| Trust corpus (Notes 1 and 2)  | 1                     | 1                     |
| Undistributed earnings  | 97,120                | 35,590                |
| Total Liabilities and Trust Corpus  | \$ 7,449,593<br>===== | \$ 7,204,251<br>===== |

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of these financial statements.

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STATEMENTS OF REVENUE COLLECTED AND EXPENSES PAID (NOTE 1)

FOR THE THREE MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30, 2007 AND 2006

|  | 2007         | 2006         |
|--|--------------|--------------|
|  | (unaudited)  |              |
| German gas, oil and sulfur royalties received  | \$ 7,544,543 | \$ 8,297,022 |
| Interest income  | 57,210       | 32,663       |
| Trust expenses   | ( 268,312)   | ( 237,243)   |
| Net income   | \$ 7,333,441 | \$ 8,062,442 |
| Net income per unit  | \$ .80       | \$ .88       |
| Cash distributions paid or to be paid:   |              |              |
| Dividends and distributions per unit paid to formerly unlocated unit owners (Note 3) | \$ .00       | \$ .00       |
| Distributions per unit paid or to be paid to unit owners                             | \$ .80       | \$ .88       |

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STATEMENTS OF REVENUE COLLECTED AND EXPENSES PAID (NOTE 1)

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED APRIL 30, 2007 AND 2006

|  | 2007         | 2006         |
|--|--------------|--------------|
|  | (unaudited)  |              |
| German gas, oil and sulfur royalties received                                      | \$16,027,930 | \$16,481,691 |
| Interest income  | 110,903      | 54,696       |
| Trust expenses   | ( 545,206)   | ( 529,336)   |
| Net income   | \$15,593,627 | \$16,007,051 |
| Net income per unit  | \$1.70       | \$1.74       |
| Cash distributions paid or to be paid:   |              |              |
| Dividends and distributions per unit paid to former unlocated unit owners (Note 3) | \$ .00       | \$ .02       |
| Distributions per unit paid or to be paid to unit owners                           | \$1.69       | \$1.73       |

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STATEMENTS OF UNDISTRIBUTED EARNINGS (NOTE 1)  
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 FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED APRIL 31, 2007 AND 2006  
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|  | 2007                          | 2006                         |
|--|-------------------------------|------------------------------|
|  | -----<br>(unaudited)<br>----- |                              |
| Balance, beginning of period   | \$ 35,590                     | \$ 64,299                    |
| Net income   | 15,593,627                    | 16,007,051                   |
|  | -----<br>15,629,217<br>-----  | -----<br>16,071,350<br>----- |
| Less:  |                               |                              |
| Dividends and distributions paid to<br>formerly unlocated unit owners (Note 3) | 0                             | 148,097                      |
| Current year distributions paid or<br>to be paid to unit owners (Note 3)       | 15,532,097                    | 15,894,141                   |
|  | -----<br>15,532,097<br>-----  | -----<br>16,042,238<br>----- |
| Balance, end of period   | \$ 97,120<br>=====            | \$ 29,112<br>=====           |

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STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS (NOTE 1)

FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED APRIL 31, 2007 AND 2006

|  | 2007         | 2006         |
|--|--------------|--------------|
|  | (unaudited)  |              |
| Sources of cash and cash equivalents:                                  |              |              |
| German gas, oil and sulfur royalties                                   | \$16,027,930 | \$16,481,691 |
| Interest income  | 110,903      | 54,696       |
|  | -----        | -----        |
|  | 16,138,833   | 16,536,387   |
|  | -----        | -----        |
| Uses of cash and cash equivalents:                                     |              |              |
| Payment of Trust expenses  | 545,206      | 529,336      |
| Distributions and dividends paid (Note 3)                              | 15,348,285   | 11,810,487   |
|  | -----        | -----        |
|  | 15,893,491   | 12,339,823   |
|  | -----        | -----        |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents during the period | 245,342      | 4,196,564    |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period                         | 7,204,250    | 3,920,267    |
|  | -----        | -----        |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of period                               | \$ 7,449,592 | \$ 8,116,831 |
|  | =====        | =====        |

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## NORTH EUROPEAN OIL ROYALTY TRUST

### NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

#### (1) Summary of significant accounting policies:

##### Basis of Accounting -

The accompanying financial statements of North European Oil Royalty Trust (the "Trust") present financial statement balances and financial results on a modified cash basis of accounting, which is a comprehensive basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States ("GAAP basis"). Cash basis financial statements disclose revenue when cash is received and expenses when cash is paid. GAAP basis financial statements disclose income as earned and expenses as incurred, without regard to receipts or payments. The modified cash basis of accounting is utilized to permit the accrual for distributions to be paid to unit owners (those distributions approved by the Trustees for the Trust). The Trust's distributable income represents royalty income received by the Trust during the period plus interest income less any expenses incurred by the Trust, all on a cash basis. In the opinion of the Trustees, the use of the modified cash basis of accounting provides a more meaningful presentation to unit owners of the results of operations of the Trust.

##### Producing gas and oil royalty rights -

The rights to certain gas and oil royalties in Germany were transferred to the Trust at their net book value by North European Oil Company (the "Company") (see Note 2). The net book value of the royalty rights has been reduced to one dollar (\$1) in view of the fact that the remaining net book value of royalty rights is de minimis relative to annual royalties received and distributed by the Trust and does not bear any meaningful relationship to the fair value of such rights or the actual amount of proved producing reserves

##### Federal income taxes -

The Trust, as a grantor trust, is exempt from Federal income taxes under a private letter ruling issued by the Internal Revenue Service.

##### Cash and cash equivalents -

Included in cash and cash equivalents are amounts deposited in bank accounts and amounts invested in certificates of deposit and U. S. Treasury bills with original maturities of three months or less.

##### Net income per unit -

Net income per unit is based upon the number of units outstanding at the end of the period. As of both April 30, 2007 and 2006, there were



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9,190,590 units of beneficial interest outstanding.

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### (2) Formation of the Trust:

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The Trust was formed on September 10, 1975. As of September 30, 1975, the Company was liquidated and the remaining assets and liabilities of the Company, including its royalty rights, were transferred to the Trust. The Trust, on behalf of the owners of beneficial interest in the Trust, holds overriding royalty rights covering gas and oil production in certain concessions or leases in the Federal Republic of Germany. These rights are held under contracts with local German exploration and development subsidiaries of ExxonMobil Corp. and the Royal Dutch/Shell Group of Companies. Under these contracts, the Trust receives various percentage royalties on the proceeds of the sales of certain products from the areas involved. At the present time, royalties are received for sales of gas well gas, oil well gas, crude oil, distillate and sulfur.

### (3) Contingent liability:

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Since its inception in 1975, the Trust had served as fiduciary for certain unlocated or unknown shareholders of North European Oil Corporation (the "Corporation") and North European Oil Company, corporate predecessors of the Trust. Pursuant to an order of the Delaware Court of Chancery dated February 26, 1996, from and after July 1, 2005, the Trust has no further obligation to make payments of dividends or distributions attributable to any unexchanged Corporate and Company shares.

From the liquidation of the Company to October 31, 2006, 729,761 Trust units were issued in exchange for Corporate or Company shares and dividends of \$358,804 and distributions of \$4,618,699 were paid to formerly unlocated Corporation and Company shareholders. With the escheat of the last Trust units attributable to unexchanged Corporation and Company shares completed in April 2006, all Trust units, including those issuable in exchange for Corporation and Company shares, have been issued.

### (4) Related party transactions:

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John R. Van Kirk, the Managing Director of the Trust, provides office space and services to the Trust at cost. For such office space and services, the Trust reimbursed the Managing Director \$3,134 and \$4,862 in the second quarter of fiscal 2007 and 2006, respectively. For such office space and services, the Trust reimbursed the Managing Director \$10,763 and \$11,621 in the first six months of fiscal 2007 and 2006, respectively.

As of January 1, 2007, Lawrence A. Kobrin, a Trustee of the Trust, was named Senior Counsel at Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP which serves as counsel to the Trust. Prior to such time, Mr. Kobrin was a partner at Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP. For the second quarter of fiscal 2007, the Trust paid Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP \$8,732 for legal services. For the first six months of fiscal 2007, the Trust paid Cahill Gordon & Reindel LLP \$40,607 for legal services.

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Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial  
Condition and Results of Operations.

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Executive Summary  
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The Trust is a passive fixed investment trust which holds overriding royalty rights, receives income under those rights from certain operating companies, pays its expenses and distributes the remaining net funds to its unit owners. The Trust does not engage in any business or extractive operations of any kind in the areas over which it holds royalty rights and is precluded from any such involvement by the Trust Agreement. There are no requirements, therefore, for capital resources with which to make capital expenditures or investments in order to continue the receipt of royalty revenues by the Trust.

The properties of the Trust, which the Trust and Trustees hold pursuant to the Trust Agreement on behalf of the unit owners, are overriding royalty rights on sales of gas, sulfur and oil under certain concessions or leases in the Federal Republic of Germany. The actual leases or concessions are held either by Mobil Erdgas-Erdol GmbH ("Mobil Erdgas"), a German operating subsidiary of the ExxonMobil Corp. ("ExxonMobil"), or by Oldenburgische Erdolgesellschaft ("OEG"). In 2002 Mobil Erdgas and BEB Erdgas und Erdol GmbH ("BEB"), a joint venture of ExxonMobil and the Royal Dutch/Shell Group of Companies, formed a company ExxonMobil Production Deutschland GmbH ("EMPG") to carry out all exploration, drilling and production activities. All sales activities are still handled by the operating companies, either Mobil Erdgas or BEB.

The operating companies pay monthly royalties to the Trust based on their sales of natural gas, sulfur and oil. Of these three products, natural gas provides approximately 98% of the total royalties. The amount of royalties paid to the Trust is based on four primary factors: the amount of gas sold, the price of that gas, the area from which the gas is sold and the exchange rate. The Oldenburg concession is the primary area from which the natural gas, sulfur and oil are extracted and provides nearly 100% of all the royalties received by the Trust. The Oldenburg concession (1,398,000 acres) covers virtually the entire former Principality of Oldenburg and is located in the federal state of Lower Saxony.

Under one set of rights covering the western part of the Oldenburg concession (approximately 662,000 acres), the Trust receives a royalty payment of 4% on gross receipts from sales by Mobil Erdgas of gas well gas, oil well gas, crude oil and condensate (the "Mobil Agreement"). Under the Mobil Agreement there is no deduction of costs prior to the calculation of royalties from gas well gas and oil well gas, which together account for approximately 99% of all the royalties under this agreement. Historically, the Trust has received significantly greater royalty payments under the Mobil Agreement due to the higher royalty rate specified by that agreement.

Under another set of rights covering the entire Oldenburg concession and pursuant to the agreement with OEG, the Trust receives royalties at the rate of 0.6667% on gross receipts from sales by BEB of gas well gas, oil well gas, crude oil, condensate and sulfur (removed during the processing of sour gas) less a certain allowed deduction of costs (the "OEG Agreement"). Under

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the OEG Agreement, 50% of the field handling, treatment and transportation costs, as reported for state royalty purposes, are deducted from the gross

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sales receipts prior to the calculation of the royalty to be paid to the Trust.

The gas is sold to various distributors under long-term contracts which delineate, among other provisions, the timing, manner, volume and price of the gas sold. The pricing mechanisms contained in these contracts include a delay factor of three to six months and use the price of light heating oil in Germany as one of the primary pricing components. Since Germany must import a large percentage of its energy requirements, the U.S. dollar price of oil on the international market has a significant impact on the price of light heating oil and a delayed impact on the price of gas. The Trust itself does not have access to the specific sales contracts under which gas from the Oldenburg concession is sold. These contacts are reviewed periodically on behalf of the Trust by Ernst & Young AG to verify the correctness of application of the Agreement formulas for the computation of royalty payments.

For unit owners, changes in the value of the Euro have both an immediate and long term impact. The immediate impact is from the exchange rate that is applied at the time the royalties, paid to the Trust in Euros, are converted into dollars at the time of their transfer from Germany to the United States. A higher exchange rate would yield more dollars and a lower exchange rate fewer dollars. The long term impact relates to the mechanism of gas pricing. Since oil on the international market is priced in dollars, a weaker Euro would mean that oil imported into Germany is more expensive. A stronger Euro would mean that oil imported into Germany is less expensive. These changes in the price of oil in Germany are subsequently reflected in the price of light heating oil, which is used as a component in the calculation of gas prices in the contracts under which the gas is sold. The changes in German domestic light heating oil prices are in turn reflected in gas prices with a built-in delay of three to six months.

Seasonal demand factors affect the income from royalty rights insofar as they relate to energy demands and increases or decreases in prices, but on average they are not material to the regular annual income received under the royalty rights.

The Trust has no means of ensuring continued income from overriding royalty rights at their present level or otherwise. The Trust's current consultant in Germany provides general information to the Trust on the German and European economies and energy markets. This information provides a context in which to evaluate the actions of the operating companies. In his position as consultant he receives reports from the operating companies with respect to current and planned drilling and exploration efforts. However, the unified exploration and production venture, EMPG, which provides the reports to the Trust's consultant, continues to limit the information flow to that which is required by German law.

The relatively low level of administrative expenses of the Trust limits the effect of inflation on its financial prospects. Continued price inflation would be reflected in sales prices, which with sales volumes form the basis on which the royalties paid to the Trust are computed. The impact of inflation or deflation on energy prices in Germany is delayed by the use in certain long-term gas sales contracts of a delay factor of three to six months prior to the application of any changes in light heating oil prices to gas prices.

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As mandated by the Trust Agreement, distributions of income are made on a quarterly basis. These distributions, as determined by the Trustees, constitute substantially all the funds on hand after provision is made for Trust expenses then anticipated.

Results: Second Quarter of Fiscal 2007 Versus Second Quarter of Fiscal 2006

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For the second quarter of fiscal 2007, the Trust's net income was \$7,333,441, a decrease of 9.04% from the net income of \$8,062,442 for the second quarter of fiscal 2006. This income was derived from sales of gas, sulfur and oil from the Trust's overriding royalty areas in Germany during the first calendar quarter of 2007. A distribution of 80 cents per unit was paid on May 30, 2007 to owners of record as of May 11, 2007.

The amount of royalties paid to the Trust is based on four primary factors: the amount of gas sold, the price of that gas, the area from which the gas is sold and the exchange rate. For the second quarter of fiscal 2007 a combination of lower gas prices and lower gas sales under both the Mobil and the OEG Agreements more than offset the increase in average exchange rates and resulted in the reduced net income.

For the quarter just ended, under the Mobil Agreement gas sales decreased 9.95% to 17.125 billion cubic feet ("Bcf") from 19.016 Bcf in the second quarter of fiscal 2006. For the quarter just ended, the average price of gas sold under the Mobil Agreement decreased 12.28% to 1.9950 Eurocents/Kwh ("Ecents/Kwh") from 2.2743 Ecents/Kwh in the second quarter of fiscal 2006. Based on the transfer from Germany of royalties received under the Mobil Agreement, the average value of the Euro for the quarter just ended increased 10.12% to a dollar equivalent of \$1.3321 from \$1.2097 for the second quarter of fiscal 2006. Converting the average gas prices using this average exchange rate into more familiar terms yields an average gas price under this agreement of \$7.64 per thousand cubic feet ("Mcf") compared to \$7.91/Mcf for the second quarter of fiscal 2006.

For the quarter just ended, under the OEG Agreement gas sales decreased 13.38% to 40.518 Bcf from 46.775 Bcf in the second quarter of fiscal 2006. For the quarter just ended, the average price of gas sold under the OEG Agreement decreased 0.22% to 2.3038 Ecents/Kwh from 2.3088 Ecents/Kwh in the second quarter of fiscal 2006. Based on the transfer from Germany of royalties received under the OEG Agreement, the average value of the Euro for the quarter just ended increased 9.82% to a dollar equivalent of \$1.3297 from \$1.2108 for the second quarter of fiscal 2006. Converting the average gas prices using this average exchange rate into more familiar terms yields an average gas price under this agreement of \$8.60/Mcf compared to \$7.84/Mcf for the second quarter of fiscal 2006.

Interest income was higher reflecting the increased funds available for investment and the increase in interest rates applicable during the period. For the quarter just ended, Trust interest income increased 75.15% to \$57,210 from \$32,663 in the second quarter of fiscal 2006. Trust expenses for the second quarter of fiscal 2007 were virtually unchanged.

The current Statement of Assets, Liabilities and Trust Corpus of the Trust at April 30, 2007, compared to that at fiscal year end (October 31, 2006), shows an increase in assets due to the higher royalty receipts during

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the quarter.

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Results: First Six Months of Fiscal 2007 Versus First Six Months of Fiscal

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2006  
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For the six month period, the Trust's net income was \$15,593,627, a decrease of 2.58% from the net income of \$16,007,051 for last year's equivalent period. This income was derived from sales of gas, sulfur and oil from the Trust's overriding royalty areas in Germany during the fourth calendar quarter of 2006 and the first calendar quarter of 2007. For the six month period ended April 30, 2007 total distributions were equal to \$1.69 per unit compared to total distributions of \$1.73 for the first six months of fiscal 2006.

For the six months just ended, under the Mobil Agreement gas sales decreased 10.17% to 34.637 Bcf from 38.556 Bcf in the first six months of fiscal 2006. For the six months just ended, the average price of gas sold under the Mobil Agreement decreased 1.19% to 2.1327 Ecents/Kwh from 2.1584 Ecents/Kwh in the first six months of fiscal 2006. Based on the transfer from Germany of royalties received under the Mobil Agreement, the average value of the Euro for the six months just ended increased 9.64% to a dollar equivalent of \$1.3180 from \$1.2021 for the first six months of fiscal 2006. Converting the average gas prices using this average exchange rate into more familiar terms yields an average gas price under this agreements of \$8.08/Mcf compared to \$7.46/Mcf for the first six months of fiscal 2006.

For the six months just ended, under the OEG Agreement gas sales decreased 12.85% to 82.493 Bcf from 94.651 Bcf in the first six months of fiscal 2006. For the six months just ended, the average price of gas sold under the OEG Agreement increased 6.25% to 2.3536 Ecents/Kwh from 2.2153 Ecents/Kwh in the first six months of fiscal 2006. Based on the transfer from Germany of royalties received under the OEG Agreement, the average value of the Euro for the quarter just ended increased 8.70% to a dollar equivalent of \$1.3166 from \$1.2112 for the first six months of fiscal 2006. Converting the average gas prices using this average exchange rate into more familiar terms yields an average gas price under this agreement of \$8.70/Mcf compared to \$7.53/Mcf for the first six months of fiscal 2006.

Interest income was higher reflecting the increased funds available for investment and the increase in interest rates applicable during the period. Interest income for the six month period increased 102.76% to \$110,903 from \$54,696 in the second quarter of fiscal 2006. Trust expenses for the six month period increased 2.99% or \$15,870 to \$545,206 in comparison to the prior year's equivalent period.

Report on Drilling and Geophysical Work  
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The Trust's German consultant, Alfred Stachel, met with representatives of the operating companies recently to inquire about planned and proposed drilling and geophysical work for 2007 and 2008 and other general matters. The following is a summary of Mr. Stachel's account of the operating companies' responses to his inquiries. The Trust is not able to confirm the accuracy of any of these findings or responses. In addition, the operating companies are not obligated to take any of the actions outlined and, if they change their plans with respect to any such actions, they are not obligated

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to inform the Trust.

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The operating companies reported to Mr. Stachel that the drilling program is being continued with two wells (both located in eastern Oldenburg) planned for calendar 2007. Goldenstedt Z-7a, a horizontal deviation, will begin drilling in May 2007 as the second well intended to exploit the tight Carboniferous gas zone. The first well to exploit the Carboniferous zone using a horizontal deviation was Doetlingen Ost Z-2, which began production in 2006. The Carboniferous zone is a sweet gas zone located below the Zechstein (sour gas) zone. Using an existing borehole, the horizontal deviation is planned to penetrate the gas bearing zone along a length of 3,940 feet. The gas bearing reservoir's vertical thickness is believed to be approximately 820 feet. Seven individual hydraulic fracturing treatments are planned along the horizontal length. Estimated production startup is in the first half of 2008. Following the completion of the drilling of Goldenstedt Z-7a the drilling rig will be moved to the second well, Varnhorn Z-7a, which is scheduled to further explore the Carboniferous zone. Working from an existing borehole, the horizontal deviation is planned to penetrate the gas bearing zone along a length of 4,920 feet. The gas bearing reservoir's vertical thickness is believed to be approximately 328 feet. Six individual hydraulic fracturing treatments are planned along the horizontal length. Estimated production startup is in the second half of 2008.

The processing and interpretation of earlier seismic work covering the Quadmoor, Rechterfeld, Sagermeer, Goldenstedt, Visbek and Oythe fields has and will be continuing. This work provides detailed information regarding depth and location of potential gas bearing structures and provides insight into how best to develop the available reserves within these fields through further drilling, including infill, exploratory and horizontal. Preliminary well planning based on the information developed has begun for four drilling projects scheduled for beyond 2007. Hemmelte NW Z-1, an exploratory well, is the only well planned for the western half of Oldenburg. This well is scheduled to exploit two gas bearing zones, the Bunter sweet gas zone and the Zechstein sour gas zone. Quadmoor Z-5 is an infill well intended to exploit the sour gas bearing Zechstein zone within an existing field and increase overall field recovery. Goldenstedt Z-23a, a horizontal deviation, will be the fourth well to exploit the Carboniferous zone. The final well, Cappeln Z-6, is scheduled to exploit a separate geological block of the Carboniferous zone. No start times for these future drilling projects have been announced.

According to the long term inspection and maintenance schedule, there is no maintenance work scheduled for the Grossenkneten desulfurization plant during 2007. The new compressor units completed in the fall of 2004 continue to contribute to gas production levels without any major problems.

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This report on Form 10-Q contains forward looking statements concerning business, financial performance and financial condition of the Trust. Many of these statements are based on information provided to the Trust by the operating companies or by consultants using public information sources. These statements are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those anticipated in any forward looking statements. These include uncertainties concerning levels of gas production and gas prices, general economic conditions and currency exchange rates and the risks described in Item 1A, "Risk Factors," in the Trust's Annual Report on 10-K for the fiscal year ended October 31, 2006.

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Actual results and events may vary significantly from those discussed in the forward looking statements.

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### Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

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The Trust does not engage in any trading activities with respect to possible foreign exchange fluctuations. The Trust does not use any financial instruments to hedge against possible risks related to foreign exchange fluctuations. The market risk is negligible because standing instructions at its German bank require the bank to process conversions and transfers of royalty payments as soon as possible following their receipt. The Trust does not engage in any trading activities with respect to possible commodity price fluctuations.

### Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

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The Trust maintains disclosure controls and procedures that are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed by the Trust is recorded, processed, summarized, accumulated and communicated to its management, which consists of the Managing Director, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure, and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms. The Managing Director has performed an evaluation of the effectiveness of the design and operation of the Trust's disclosure controls and procedures as of April 30, 2007. Based on that evaluation, the Managing Director concluded that the Trust's disclosure controls and procedures were effective as of April 30, 2007.

There have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting identified in connection with the evaluation described above that occurred during the second quarter of fiscal 2007 that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect our internal control over financial reporting.

## Part II -- OTHER INFORMATION

### Item 5. Submission of Matters to a Vote of Security Holders.

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The Annual Meeting of Unit Owners was held on February 12, 2007. The following persons were elected as Trustees of the Trust to serve until the next Annual Meeting of Unit Owners:

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Robert P. Adelman   | (7,889,951 votes for; 144,198 withheld) |
| Samuel M. Eisenstat | (7,981,503 votes for; 52,646 withheld)  |
| Lawrence A. Kobrin  | (7,952,165 votes for; 81,984 withheld)  |
| Willard B. Taylor   | (7,959,366 votes for; 74,783 withheld)  |
| Rosalie J. Wolf     | (7,976,794 votes for; 57,355 withheld)  |

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Item 6. Exhibits.

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(a) Exhibits.

Exhibit 31. Certification of Chief Executive Officer and  
Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 302  
of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

Exhibit 32. Certification of Chief Executive Officer and  
Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906  
of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002

SIGNATURE

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

NORTH EUROPEAN OIL ROYALTY TRUST

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(Registrant)

/s/ John R. Van Kirk

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John R. Van Kirk  
Managing Director

Dated: May 31, 2007