

TORCH ENERGY ROYALTY TRUST

Form 8-K

February 17, 2006

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**Date of Report**

**February 17, 2006**

*(Date of earliest event reported)*

**Torch Energy Royalty Trust**

*(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)*

**Delaware**

*(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)*

**1-1247**

*(Commission File Number)*

**74-6411424**

*(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification Number)*

**Rodney Square North  
1100 North Market Street  
Wilmington, Delaware 19890**

*(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)*

**302/636-6016**

*(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)*

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Press Release dated February 17, 2006

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**Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On February 17, 2006, Torch Energy Royalty Trust reported its cash distribution payable on March 10, 2006. A copy of the press release is furnished with this report as exhibit 99.1.

The information in this report is being furnished pursuant to Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition , not filed, for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act ). This information shall not be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

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SIGNATURE

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.

**TORCH ENERGY ROYALTY TRUST**

By: Wilmington Trust Company, not in its individual capacity but solely as Trustee for the Trust

Date: February 17, 2006

By: /s/ Bruce L. Bisson

Bruce L. Bisson  
Vice President

(The Trust has no employees, directors or executive officers.)

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| 99.1    | Torch Energy Royalty Trust Press Release dated February 17, 2006. |