TORCH ENERGY ROYALTY TRUST Form SC 13D/A December 18, 2007

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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **SCHEDULE 13D**

#### **Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

(Amendment No. 9)\*

Torch Energy Royalty Trust
(Name of Issuer)
Units of Beneficial Interest
(Title of Class of Securities)
891013104
(CUSIP Number)
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December 14, 2007

(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

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This Amendment No. 9 ( Amendment ) amends Amendment No. 8 to the Statement on Schedule 13D (the Statement ) filed on November 15, 2007 by Trust Venture Company, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ( Trust Venture ), Trust Acquisition Company, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ( Trust Acquisition ), Silver Point Capital, L.P., a Delaware limited partnership ( Silver Point ), Edward A. Mulé and Robert J. O Shea (each, a Reporting Person and, collectively, the Reporting Persons ) with respect to Units of Beneficial Interest (the Units ) of Torch Energy Royalty Trust, a Delaware statutory trust (the Trust ).

All capitalized terms used in this Amendment and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Statement.

## Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

The first two paragraphs of subsection (a) of Item 5 are amended and restated in their entirety as follows:

(a) As of December 14, 2007, the Reporting Persons may be deemed to beneficially own an aggregate of 5,809,730 Units.

Accordingly, the Reporting Persons may be deemed to beneficially own 67.6% of the outstanding Units of the Trust. The calculation of this percentage is based on 8,600,000 Units outstanding as of September 30, 2007, according to the most recent Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q of the Trust, filed as of November 14, 2007.

#### Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.

Item 7 is hereby amended and supplemented by Exhibit 99.2, as amended, as so amended, is restated as follows:

- 99.2 List of trading activity by the Reporting Persons with respect to Units in the past 60 days (filed herewith).
- 99.3 Letter to Trustee from Trust Venture, dated July 18, 2007, requesting meeting of the Unitholders of the Trust for the purpose of voting on the termination of the Trust.\*
- 99.4 Power of Attorney of Edward A. Mulé, dated July 3, 2007.\*
- 99.5 Power of Attorney of Robert J. O Shea, dated July 3, 2007.\*
- 99.6 Letter to Trustee from Trust Venture, dated November 14, 2007, revoking prior request to call a meeting of Unitholders.\*

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#### **SIGNATURE**

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: December 18, 2007

#### TRUST VENTURE COMPANY, LLC

By: Trust Acquisition Company, LLC, sole manager

By: Silver Point Capital, L.P., its manager

By: Silver Point Capital Management, LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Frederick H. Fogel Name: Frederick H. Fogel Title: Authorized Signatory

#### TRUST ACQUISITION COMPANY, LLC

By: Silver Point Capital, L.P., its manager

By: Silver Point Capital Management, LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Frederick H. Fogel Name: Frederick H. Fogel Title: Authorized Signatory

#### SILVER POINT CAPITAL, L.P.

By: Silver Point Capital Management, LLC, its General Partner

By: /s/ Frederick H. Fogel Name: Frederick H. Fogel Title: Authorized Signatory

## EDWARD A. MULÉ

By: /s/ Frederick H. Fogel (by power of attorney) Name: Edward A. Mulé, individually

## ROBERT J. O SHEA

By: /s/ Frederick H. Fogel (by power of attorney)
Name: Robert J. O Shea, individually

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