

BP PRUDHOE BAY ROYALTY TRUST

Form 8-K

December 28, 2009

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549**

**FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT**

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

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): December 24, 2009**

**BP PRUDHOE BAY ROYALTY TRUST**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware

1-10243

13-6943724

(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

(Commission  
File Number)

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

The Bank of New York Mellon, 101 Barclay Street,  
New York, NY

10286

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 815-6908

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:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- 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))

**SECTION 8 OTHER EVENTS**

**Item 8.01. Other Events**

On December 28, 2009, BP Prudhoe Bay Royalty Trust (the Trust ) issued a press release to report the receipt by the Trust of funds deposited with an escrow agent pursuant to the settlement agreement dated May 8, 2009 between the Trust and BP Exploration (Alaska) Inc.

A copy of the press release is attached to this report as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference. See the Trust's Current Report on Form 8-K dated May 8, 2009 for additional information concerning the settlement and a copy of the settlement agreement.

**SECTION 9 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits**

- (a) Not applicable
- (b) Not applicable
- (c) Not applicable
- (d) Exhibits:

99.1 Press release issued December 28, 2009

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

BP PRUDHOE BAY ROYALTY TRUST

By: THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON,  
as Trustee

By: /s/ Geovanni Barris  
Geovanni Barris  
Vice President

Date: December 28, 2009

**INDEX TO EXHIBITS**

**Exhibit  
No.**

**Exhibit  
Description**

\*99.1 Press release issued December 28, 2009

\* Filed herewith