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FORM 4

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> <u>HEINEMANN ROBERT</u>						BERRY PETROLEUM CO [ BRY ]								Ck all applica Ck all applica Director Officer ( below)	10% Owner ive title Other (specify			vner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) 5201 TRUXTUN AVE., SUITE 300							3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2006								Presiden	it and (	below) CEO			
(Street) BAKERSFIELD CA 93309					4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									<ul> <li>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)</li> <li>X Form filed by One Reporting Person</li> <li>Form filed by More than One Reporting Person</li> </ul>						
(City)										Formine				ing Person						
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea			ar) (Month/Day/Year)		ate, Trans Code	Transaction Disposed C Code (Instr.		es Acquired (A) or Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)			
								Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Transactio (Instr. 3 ar				(			
Class A Co	Class A Common Stock											_		2,0	00		D			
Class A Common Stock		09/30	30/2006				J	v	50 <sup>(7)</sup>	A	\$0	3,543			I	Held in 401(k) Plan				
	1			(e.g., p	uts,		ls, w	arra	nts, optio	ns, o	osed of, o convertibl	le secur	ities)				1			
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	ate, Tra Co	ansaction de (Instr.		of Expi		6. Date Exe Expiration I (Month/Day	Date	e and	d 7. Title and A of Securities Underlying Derivative Se (Instr. 3 and 4		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				Co	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares							
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$8.07								12/02/200	2	12/02/2012	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000		D			
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$9.61								12/02/2003	3	12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000		D			
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$14.375						06/1		06/16/200	5	06/16/2014	Class A Common Stock	200,000		200,000		D			
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$21.58								11/23/200	5	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	130,000		130,000		130,000		D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$30.645							12/1		5	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	150,000		150,000		D			
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0								12/15/2006	2)	2/15/2009 <sup>(3)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	20,000		20,000		D			
Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(4)</sup>	\$0								01/31/2010	5) (	1/31/2010 <sup>(6)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	161,300		161,3	300	D			
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(8)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(9)</sup>	09/30/2006			A		10		08/08/1988 <sup>(</sup>	<sup>10)</sup> 0	8/08/1988 <sup>(11)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	10	\$28.16	3,01	17	D			
Explanation	of Response	es:																		

1. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock

2. The restricted stock units vests in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2006. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.

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5. The restricted stock units vest in one installment on January 31, 2010 provided the reporting person continues to serve as the CEO of the Company on such date, or earlier on certain conditions.

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7. Shares of Common Stock acquired by the reporting person in the Company's 401(k) Plan. All transactions were at market and were non-discretionary.

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10. Phantom Stock Units acquired under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares of Common Stock are issued under terms of the Plan upon resignation from the board of directors.

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Kenneth A Olson under POA for 10/03/2006

Robert Heinemann Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 $^{\ast}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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