

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K/A

CURRENT REPORT

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

Date of Report: February 18, 2005
(Date of Earliest Event Reported):(February 18, 2005)

Berry Petroleum Company
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)	1--9735 (Commission File Number)	77-0079387 (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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5201 Truxtun Avenue, Suite 300 Bakersfield, CA (Address of Principal Executive Offices)	93309 (Zip Code)
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Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code: (661) 616-3900

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 (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

(c) Exhibits.

Exhibit 99 - News Release, dated January 18, 2005, announcing that the Company is postponing the release of 2004 earnings.

SIGNATURES

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.

BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY

Date: February 18, 2005 By: /s/ Kenneth A. Olsen
Kenneth A. Olsen
Corporate Secretary

