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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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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* <b>GOEHRING RALPH J</b>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <b>C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN</b>  (Street) <b>BAKERSFIELD CA 93309</b>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>BERRY PETROLEUM CO [ BRY ]</b>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <b>Executive VP and CFO</b>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <b>06/30/2006</b>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Class A Common Stock	06/30/2006		J	V	37 <sup>(5)</sup>	A	\$0	4,929	I	Held in 401(k) Plan
Class A Common Stock	06/30/2006		G	V	200	D	\$0	63,118	D	

**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (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)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$8.15							12/07/2002	12/07/2011	Class A Common Stock	30,000	30,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$8.25							12/06/2003	12/06/2012	Class A Common Stock	30,000	30,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$9.97							12/05/2004	12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	60,000	60,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$21.58							11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	70,000	70,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$30.645							12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	40,000	40,000	D	
Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>							12/15/2006 <sup>(3)</sup>	12/15/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	10,000	10,000	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
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- 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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- Changes in the number of shares of Common Stock held in the individuals 401(k) account due to required maintenance of cash position. All transactions were at market and non-discretionary.

**Remarks:**

All prices and quantities have been adjusted for the Company's 2-for-1 stock split on May 17, 2006.

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Ralph Goehring

07/05/2006

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

\* 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).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

