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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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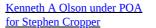
				or Sec	ction 30(n) of the Inv	vestmer	it Con	npany Act of 1	.940					
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>CROPPER STEVE</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]							ationship of Reportin k all applicable) Director	ng Person(s) to Is 10% (
	ast) (First) (Middle) /O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700				of Earliest Transac /2010	tion (Me	onth/C	Day/Year)		Officer (give title below)	Other below	(specify)		
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)							6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)				
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(City)	(State)	(Zip)												
		Table I - No	n-Deriva	ative S	ecurities Acqu	uired,	Disp	posed of,	or Ben	eficially	Owned			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) Date (Month/E				3. Transaction Code (Instr.4. Securities Acquired (Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3 5)8)				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership				
					Code	v	Amount (A) or (D)		Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Class A Comr	non Stock										5,000	D		
					curities Acqui IIs, warrants, o			-		-	owned			

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	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12- 2-02	\$8.07							12/02/2002	12/02/2012	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12- 2-03	\$9.61							12/02/2003	12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12- 2-04	\$21.77							12/02/2004	12/02/2014	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-05	\$30.645							12/15/2005	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-06	\$32.565							12/15/2006	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
2007 Restricted Stock Unit	\$0							01/01/2008	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	1,319		1,319	D	
NSO 2007	\$43.61							12/14/2007	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	3,956		3,956	D	
Phantom Stock Units	\$0 ⁽¹⁾	03/31/2010		A		9 ⁽²⁾		08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Class A Common Stock	3,511	\$29.16	3,520	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. 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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04/01/2010

Date

** Signature of Reporting Person

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).

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