FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Instruction 1(b).	time and Address of Reporting Person* LHKOPF BRIAN L t) (First) (Middle) D BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 UXTUN		Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940		hours p	er respo	onse: 0.5
		son [*]	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]	(Check all D	nship of Reporting applicable) Director Officer (give title	Persor	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify
(Last) C/O BERRY PET TRUXTUN	` '	, ,	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/12/2006	j b	Former Vice		below) ident
(Street) BAKERSFIELD	CA	93309	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	Line) X F	al or Joint/Group F Form filed by One F Form filed by More Person	Reporti	ing Person
(City)	(State)	(Zip)					

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	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(111311.4)		
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		1,500	D	\$31.65	65,534	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		500	D	\$31.64	65,034	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		2,000	D	\$31.63	63,034	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		1,100	D	\$31.62	61,934	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		1,200	D	\$31.61	60,734	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		300	D	\$31.6	60,434	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		1,100	D	\$31.59	59,334	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		400	D	\$31.58	58,934	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		600	D	\$31.57	58,334	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		1,100	D	\$31.56	57,234	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		600	D	\$31.55	56,634	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		400	D	\$31.54	56,234	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		300	D	\$31.53	55,934	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		200	D	\$31.52	55,734	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		800	D	\$31.51	54,934	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$31.5	54,834	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		200	D	\$31.49	54,634	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$31.48	54,534	D			
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		900	D	\$31.47	53,634	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) 8. Price of Derivative 11. Nature of Indirect 3. Transaction 3A. Deemed 5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amount 9. Number of Conversion Execution Date, Transaction Ownership **Expiration Date** of Securities derivative or Exercise Price of Derivative (Month/Day/Year) Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) Form: Direct (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Month/Day/Year) if any (Month/Day/Year) Code (Instr. 8) Derivative Security (Instr. 5) Securities Beneficially Securities Acquired Owned (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Security Following (I) (Instr. 4) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) Amount Number Expiration Date ٧ Code (A) (D) Exercisable Date Title Shares Class A Nonstatutory Stock Option 08/03/2006 20,000 20,000 \$9.97 12/05/2004 D Common

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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. Transa Code (8)		ion of		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 Option	\$21.58							11/23/2005	08/03/2006	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Kenneth A Olson under POA or Brian Rehkopf

07/14/2006

** 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).

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