# FORM 5

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## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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# ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Form 4	1 Transactions	Reported.	F	iled pursuant or Sect	to Section 30	ction 1 (h) of	16(a) of th the Invest	ne Secr	urities Excha Company A	ange Ac	t of 193 0	4						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  Wolf David D				2. Issuer BERR	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [ BRY ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Exec VP and CFO					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700				12/31/2	3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2011													
(Street) DENVER CO 80202				4. If Ame	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)     X Form filed by One Reporting Person     Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip)											<u> </u>							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Tran		2. Transaction	2A. Deemed Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr.							ed Of Securities Beneficially Owned at end		Form: Direct (I) or Indirect (I)		ect Indirect Beneficial		
									nount (A)		. Price		Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Class A (	Common St	ock											5,45	5,459 I Co		feld in the ompany's 01(k) Plan		
Class A (	Common St	ock	12/29/2011		A			51 <sup>(5)</sup>	A	A \$40.59		26,220		D				
			Table II - Deriv (e.g.,	ative Sec									Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	onversion Date Exercise (Month/Day/Year) ice of privative	Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	of Expira		Expirati	te Exercisable and ation Date th/Day/Year)		Amo Sec Und Deri	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. Ownersh Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr.	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares						
RSU 8-4- 08 <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0						08/04/20	011 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/03/2018 <sup>(3)</sup> Class A Common Stock		30,355		30,355		D			
NSO	\$41.18						08/04/2011		4/2011 08/03/2018		ss A nmon ock	89,084	8		89,084 г			
2008 Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0						12/12/2009 <sup>(4)</sup>		/12/2009 <sup>(4)</sup> 12/11/2018 <sup>(3)</sup>		ss A nmon ock	66,667	,667		66,667			
2009 Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0						12/11/20	010 <sup>(4)</sup>	12/11/2019 <sup>0</sup>	(3) Con	ss A nmon ock	41,053		41,0	053	D		
Perf Based RSUs 3- 16-10	\$0						12/31/2	2012	03/15/2020	Con	ss A nmon ock	18,175		18,1	75	D		
March 2011 Employee RSU Grant	\$0						03/02/2	2012	03/02/2023	1 Con	ss A nmon ock	12,372		12,3	72	D		
Non- Statutory Stock Option 3- 3-2011 - \$48.50	\$48.5						03/02/2	2012	03/02/2023	1 Con	ss A nmon ock	14,198		14,1	98	D		
Perf Based RSU 3-2-	\$0						12/31/2	2013	03/02/2021		ss A	10,824		10,8	24	D		

### Explanation of Responses:

- 1. 1 for 1
- 2. Restricted Stock Units vest 100% 3 years after date of grant but are subject to a deferral election.

- 3. The RSU is subject to a deferral election. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person as per the terms of the deferral election.
- 4. The RSU granted vest 25% per year beginning one year after grant but the receipt of shares are subject to a deferral period which is generally at least four years from grant date as per the deferral election.
- 5. Increase in shares from the reinvestment of dividends paid quarterly on common stock. All shares were purchased at market and were non-discretionary.

#### Remarks:

Form 5 filing to report shares acquired from dividend reinvestment plan purchases at year-end 2011.

Kenneth A. Olson under POA for David D. Wolf 01/04/2012

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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

- $^{\star}$  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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