FORM 4

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

	Washington, D.C.	20549	
STATEMENT OF	CHANGES IN B	BENEFICIAL (	<b>OWNERSHIP</b>

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*  BUSCH RALPH B III					2. I B	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [ BRY ]								Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner  Officer (give title Other (specify))						
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700						Date 0	of Earliest 7	Trans	action (Mo	onth/C	ay/Year)		Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)							
1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3/00							endment, D	ate o	f Original	Filed	(Month/Day/Ye	ear)		dividual or Joi	int/Group	Filing (0	Check App	olicable		
(Street) DENVER	(Street) DENVER CO 80202														Line)  X Form filed by One Reporting Person  Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City)	(Sta	ate) (	(Zip)																	
		Ta	ble I - No	n-Deri	ivativ	/e S	ecurities	s Ac	quired,	Dis	posed of,	or Bene	ficially	Owned						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)		Date	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)			(D) (Instr. 3	acquired (A) or D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)				
									Code	v	Amount	ount (A) or (D)		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(,		
Class A Co	ommon Stoo	ck												218,93	11	D				
Class A Common Stock													123,500		I		As Co- Frustee of Jnion Bank Trust Shares			
Class A Common Stock													76,500		I		Busch Family Foundation			
Class A Common Stock													29,425		I		As Custodian or Minor Children			
			Table II -								osed of, or convertible			wned						
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution I if any (Month/Day	eemed 4. Ition Date, Tran		5. Number of Derivative Becurities		6. Date Exercisable a Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		able and	ole and 7. Title and Al of Securities		ount 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)		ve ies ially ng	10. Ownershi Form: Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)			
				,	Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisal	ble	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)					
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12- 2-03	\$9.61								12/02/20	003	12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,0	000	D			
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12- 2-04	\$21.77								12/02/20	004	12/02/2014	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,0	000	D			
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-05	\$30.645								12/15/20	005	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,0	000	D			
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>								08/08/198	38 <sup>(2)</sup>	08/08/1988 <sup>(2)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	47,154		47,1	154	D			
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-06	\$32.565								12/15/20	006	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,0	000	D			
2007 Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(3)</sup>								01/01/200	)8 <sup>(4)</sup>	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	792		79	)2	D			
NSO 2007	\$43.61								12/14/20	007	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	3,956		3,9	56	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)			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	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		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
March 2011 Director RSU <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(3)</sup>							03/02/2011 <sup>(4)</sup>	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	2,499		2,499	D	
March 2 2012 Director RSU Grant	\$0							03/02/2012	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	2,231		2,231	D	
March 4, 2013 Director RSU Grant <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(3)</sup>	03/04/2013		М		2,629 <sup>(5)</sup>		03/04/2013	03/04/2023	Class A Common Stock	2,629	\$0	2,629	D	

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. 1 for 1
- 2. 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.
- $3. \ Each \ RSU \ represents \ a \ contingent \ right \ to \ receive \ one \ share \ of \ Berry \ Petroleum \ Company \ Class \ A \ Common \ Stock$
- 4. 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.
- 5. Grant of Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). RSUs are 100% vested on date of grant.

Kenneth A Olson under POA for 03/06/2013 Ralph Busch

\*\* 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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