FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* YOUNG MARTIN H JR					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
													X	X Director			10% Owner		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700					03/	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2012								Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)					
(Street) DENVER CO 80202				4. 1	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)																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans Date (Month/					actio	n	2A. Deeme Execution if any (Month/Da	e, Transaction Disposed O Code (Instr.		s Acquired (A) or If (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)			
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Class A Common Stock														40,0	00	Ι)		
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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 Da if any (Month/Day/Y	C	ansaction ode (Instr.		Derivative E		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)	
				Co	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)				
Phantom Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$0 ⁽¹⁾								08/08/1988	(2)	08/08/1988 ⁽²⁾	Class A Common Stock	87,832		87,832		D		
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-05	\$30.645								12/15/2009	5	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000		D		
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-06	\$32.565								12/15/2000	6	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D,000 D			
2007 Restricted Stock Unit ⁽¹⁾	\$0 ⁽³⁾								01/01/2008	(4)	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	1,319		1,319		D		
NSO 2007	\$43.61								12/14/200	7	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	3,956		3,956	5	D		
March 2011 Director RSU ⁽¹⁾	\$0 ⁽³⁾								03/02/2011	(4)	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	2,499		2,499		D		
March 2 2012 Director RSU Grant ⁽¹⁾	\$0 ⁽³⁾	03/02/2012			A		2,264 ⁽⁵⁾		03/02/2012	(5)	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	2,264	\$0	2,264		D		

Explanation of Responses:

- 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 but are subject to an individual deferral election on behalf of the Director.

Kenneth A Olson under POA for 03/02/2012 **Martin Young**

** 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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