## 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*     Bryant Joseph H					2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [ BRY ]									S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director 10% Owner					
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700				3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2011									Officer (give title Other (specify below)						
(Street) DENVER CO 80202			80202		4. 1	If Ame	endment	, Date o	f Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			6. Indi	Form file	nt/Group Filing (Check d by One Reporting Pe d by More than One Re		ing Person			
(City) (State) (Zip)			(Zip)																
		Та	ıble I - No	n-Deriv	/ativ	ve S	ecurit	ies Ac	quired,	Dis	posed of, o	r Benef	icially (	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transa Date (Month/D						2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) of Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4			5. Amount Securities Beneficially Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of ndirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 4)		
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				4 <i>)</i>	
Class A Common Stock 03/0.				03/02	02/2011				M		2,499(11)	A	\$48.03	2,499			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)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day/	ate, Tra	ode (I	ction Instr.	Derivative E		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)			7. Title and Amou of Securities Underlying Derivative Securii (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				Co	ode V		(A)	(D)	Date Exercisab	le	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	r umber f		(3)			
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-05	\$30.645								12/15/20	05	12/14/2015	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,00	00	D		
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>								08/08/198	8 <sup>(3)</sup>	08/08/1988 <sup>(4)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	31,324		31,324		D		
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-06	\$32.565								12/15/20	06	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,00	00	D		
NSO 2007	\$43.61								12/14/20	07	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	3,956		3,95	6	D		
2007 Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(5)</sup>	\$0								01/01/200	18 <sup>(6)</sup>	12/13/2017 <sup>(7)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	1,319		1,31	9	D		
March 2011 Director RSU <sup>(8)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(9)</sup>	03/02/2011			A		2,499		03/02/201	1 <sup>(10)</sup>	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	2,499	\$0	2,49	9	D		
March 2011 Director RSII <sup>(12)</sup>	\$0	03/02/2011		M	(13)			2,499	03/02/20	11	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	2,499	\$48.03	0		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

- 1. 1 for 1
- 2. 1 for 1
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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.
- 5. 1 for 1
- 6. The RSU granted is 100% vested at the date of grant but the receipt of shares are subject to a deferral period which is generally at least four years from the grant date as per the deferral election.
- 7. 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.
- 9. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- 10. 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.
- 11. Vested shares issued pursuant to Rule 16b-3 plan.
- 12. 1 for 1
- 13. Vested shares issued pursuant to Rule 16b-3 plan.

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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