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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Wilson Steven</u> _____ _____ (Last) (First) (Middle) 4900 CALIFORNIA AVENUE, SUITE 350-B _____ (Street) BAKERSFIELD CA 93309 _____ (City) (State) (Zip)			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>BERRY PETROLEUM CO [ BRY ]</u>			5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below) <b>Former Treasurer</b>		
3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/09/2009			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

**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 Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	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			
Class A Common Stock							2,052	I	Held in the Participant's 401k Account	
Class A Common Stock	09/09/2009		M		2,500	A	\$9.315	8,542	D	
Class A Common Stock	09/09/2009		S		2,500	D	\$24.25	6,042	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 Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	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 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					
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05	\$30.645							12/15/2006	02/10/2010	Class A Common Stock	3,000	3,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$32.565							12/15/2007	02/10/2010	Class A Common Stock	2,000	2,000	D	
2007 Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>							01/01/2008 <sup>(3)</sup>	01/08/2010 <sup>(4)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	287	287	D	
NSO 2007	\$43.61							12/14/2008	02/10/2010	Class A Common Stock	860	860	D	
NSO 10-16-03 \$9.315	\$9.315	09/09/2009		M		2,500		10/16/2004	09/10/2009	Class A Common Stock	2,500	\$0	0	D

**Explanation of Responses:**

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- Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- 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.
- 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.

Kenneth A. Olson under POA 09/09/2009  
for Steve B. Wilson

\*\* 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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