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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>*</sup> Canaday Shawn Michael		*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [ BRY ]		ionship of Reporting Per all applicable) Director	son(s) to Issuer 10% Owner			
				X	Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		,	,			
C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY			04/20/2004	Treasurer					
5201 TRUXTUN	AVE., SUITE 30	)							
			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		idual or Joint/Group Filing	g (Check Applicable			
(Street)				Line)					
BAKERSFIELD	CA	93309		X	Form filed by One Rep	orting Person			
BAKERSFIELD	CA	92209			Form filed by More tha Person	n One Reporting			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)							

### Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		Transaction Disposed Of (D) (Instr. Code (Instr. 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)		
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)		
Class A Common Stock								100	D			
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2004		J	v	18 <sup>(4)</sup>	A	\$0	297	I	Held in the Company's 401(k) Plan		

# 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. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number Derivativ Securitie Acquired or Disposof (D) (In 3, 4 and 1	e s I (A) sed str.	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		f g Security	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)	
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	(instr. 4)			
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$19.94							12/05/2004	12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	2,500		2,500	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$61.29							12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	5,000		5,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$43.16							11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	5,000		5,000	D	
Restricted Stock Units	\$0 <sup>(1)</sup>							(2)	(3)	Class A Common Stock	500		500	D	
Restricted Stock Unit	(5)	04/20/2006		A		1,200 <sup>(6)</sup>		(8)	(9)	Class A Common Stock	1,200	\$0 <sup>(7)</sup>	1,200	D	

#### Explanation of Responses:

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

2. The restricted stock units vests in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2006. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.

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4. Shares of Common Stock acquired by the reporting person in the Company's 401(k) Plan. All transactions were at market and were non-discretionary.

5. Grant of Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c).

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

8. Restricted Stock Units vest 100% three years from date of grant.

9. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.

### Kenneth A Olson under POA for Shawn Canaday

04/24/2006 Date

\*\* 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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