Stock Units

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FORM 4

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>DUGINSKI MICHAEL</u>						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>BERRY PETROLEUM CO</u> [BRY]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner V Officer (give title Other (specify					
		rst) LEUM COMPA GUITE 3700	(Middle) NY			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2010								X Oncer (give the below) below) Exec. VP & COO					
(Street) DENVER	CC)	80202		4.	If Am	endme	ent, Date of	f Original	Filed	(Month/Day/Yea		 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person 						
(City)	(Sta	ate)	(Zip)											i onn ne	a by more				
		Та	able I - No	on-De	erivati	ive S	ecu	rities Ac	quired	, Dis	posed of, c	or Bene	ficially C	Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Yea		Execution Date,		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 ar			5. Amount Securities Beneficial Owned Fo	lv	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)		
Class A Co	ommon Stoc	ck		12/	12/15/2010				М		2,500 ⁽¹³⁾	A	\$42.895	22,5	542 D				
Class A Common Stock			12/	15/20	5/2010					170 ⁽¹⁵⁾	D	\$ 0	13,101			I	Held in 401(k) Plan		
Class A Co	ommon Stoc	ck		12/	17/20	10			S		774 ⁽¹⁶⁾	D	\$43.0569	21,7	768		D		
			Table II								osed of, or convertible			vned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	erivative Conversion Date Execution ecurity or Exercise (Month/Day/Year) if any		3A. Deemed Execution D if any (Month/Day	d Date,	te, 4. Code (Instr.		5. Number of Derivative		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		10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership t (Instr. 4)		
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	able	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		(Instr. 4)				
Nonstatutory Stock Option 2-1- 02	\$7.445								02/01/2	2003	02/01/2012	Class A Common Stock	20,000		20,00	00	D		
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-6- 02	\$8.25								12/06/2	2003	12/06/2012	Class A Common Stock			30,00	00	D		
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 05-03	\$9.97								12/05/2	2004	12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	60,000		60,00	00	D		
Nonstatutory Stock Option 11- 23-04	\$21.58								11/23/2	2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	70,000		70,00	00	D		
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-05	\$30.645								12/15/2	2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	50,000		50,00	00	D		
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-06	\$32.565								12/15/2	2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	56,000		56,00	00	D		
2007 Restricted Stock Unit ⁽¹⁾	\$0 ⁽²⁾								12/14/20	008 ⁽³⁾	12/13/2017 ⁽⁴⁾	Class A Common Stock	12,039		12,03	39	D		
NSO 2007	\$43.61								12/14/2	2008	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	36,133		36,13	33	D		
2008 Restricted Stock Units ⁽⁵⁾	\$0 ⁽⁶⁾								12/12/20	009 ⁽⁷⁾	12/11/2018 ⁽⁸⁾	Class A Common Stock	70,000		70,00	00	D		
2009 Destricted	¢0]					12/11/	-	12/11/2010	Class A	12 919		42.0	10]	D		

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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)		Deri Sec Acq or D of (I	umber of vative urities uired (A) isposed D) (Instr. and 5)	6. Date Exercis Expiration Date (Month/Day/Yea	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)		
Perf Based RSUs 3-16- 10 ⁽⁹⁾	\$0 ⁽¹⁰⁾							12/31/2012 ⁽¹¹⁾	12/31/2012	Class A Common Stock	18,776		18,776 ⁽¹²⁾	D	
2006 Restricted Stock Units	\$0	12/15/2010		М			2,500 ⁽¹⁴⁾	12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	2,500	\$42.895	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

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

3. 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.

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.

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10. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock if certain pre-established performance factors, as set forth in the Company's Form 8-K dated March 18, 2010, are met.

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12. Per the Agreement this is the maximum number of performance based RSUs that may be received if all performance factors are achieved as outlined in the Form 8-K dated March 18, 2010.

13. Vested shares issued pursuant to Rule 16b-3 plan.

14. Vesting of 25% of RSUs granted 12-15-2006 under a Rule 16b-3 Plan

15. Changes in the number of shares of Common Stock held in the individuals 401(k) account due to required maintenance of cash position. All transactions were at market and non-discretionary.

16. Shares sold to cover taxes on RSU vesting under Rule 16b-3 Plan.

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Michael Duginski

** 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).

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