## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

(Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 21)\*

> Berry Petroleum Company (Name of Issuer)

Class A Common Stock (Title of Class of Securities)

> 085789105 (CUSIP Number)

DECEMBER 31, 2008

Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement

Check the following box if a fee is being paid with this statement \_\_\_\_\_. (A fee is not required only if the filing person: (1) has a previous statement on file reporting beneficial ownership of more than five percent of the class of securities described in Item 1; and (2) has filed no amendment subsequent thereto reporting beneficial ownership of five percent or less of such class.) (See Rule 13d-7).

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be filed for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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1. NAME OF REPORTING PERSON S.S. or I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

William F. Berry

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP \*
 Not Applicable
 (a)

(b)

United States of America

NUMBER OF SHARES	5.	SOLE VOTING POWER 2,953,367
BENEFICIALLY	6.	SHARED VOTING POWER
OWNED BY		Not Applicable
EACH	7.	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
REPORTING		2,953,367
PERSON WITH	8.	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER Not Applicable

9. AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON 2,953,367

- 10. CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES \* Not Applicable
- PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW 9

   6.6
   TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON \*
  - IN-Individual

\*SEE INSTRUCTION BEFORE FILLING OUT!

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Item 1(a).	Name of Issuer: Berry Petroleum Company	
Item 1(b).	Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 1999 Broadway,Suite 3700 Denver, CO 80202	
Item 2(a).	Name of Person Filing: William F. Berry	
Item 2(b). residence:	Address of Principal Business Office or, if none,	
	1999 Broadway,Suite 3700 Denver, CO 80202	
Item 2(c).	Citizenship: United States of America	
Item 2(d).	Title of Class of Securities: Class A Common Stock	
Item 2(e).	CUSIP Number: 085789105	
Item 3.	If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b), check whether the person filing is a: Not Applicable.	
Item 4.	Ownership: (a) Amount Beneficially Owned: 2,953,367 shares	

(b) Percent of Class: 6.6%

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(c)	Number of shares as to which such person has:	
( ii)	Sole power to vote or direct the vote 2,953,367 Shared power to vote or direct the vote - Sole power to dispose or direct the	
	disposition of2,953,367Shared power to dispose or direct the disposition of-	
Item 5.	Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class: Not Applicable	
Item 6. Person:	Ownership of More than Five Percent on Behalf of Another	
	Not Applicable.	
Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company:		
	Not Applicable	
Item 8. Group	Identification and Classification of Members of the	
ur oup	Not Applicable	
Item 9.	Notice of Dissolution of Group: Not Applicable	
Item 10.	Certification:	

Not Applicable

## SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

February 10, 2009 Date

/s/ Kenneth A. Olson Attorney-in-Fact for William F. Berry

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