

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>REHKOPF BRIAN L</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN</u> (Street) <u>BAKERSFIELD CA 93309</u> (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) <u>Former Vice President</u>
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>07/12/2006</u>	
	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	

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	07/12/2006		M		20,000	A	\$7.8438	60,234	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$32.32	60,134	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$32.31	60,034	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		500	D	\$32.3	59,534	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		200	D	\$32.29	59,334	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$32.28	59,234	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		300	D	\$32.27	58,934	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		200	D	\$32.26	58,734	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$32.22	58,634	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		200	D	\$32.21	58,434	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		500	D	\$32.2	57,934	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		200	D	\$32.15	57,734	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$32.12	57,634	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$32.11	57,534	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		200	D	\$32.05	57,334	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$31.81	57,234	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$31.79	57,134	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		300	D	\$31.78	56,834	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$31.76	56,734	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$31.74	56,634	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		100	D	\$31.72	56,534	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		300	D	\$31.71	56,234	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		300	D	\$31.7	55,934	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		300	D	\$31.69	55,634	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		700	D	\$31.68	54,934	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		500	D	\$31.67	54,434	D	
Class A Common Stock	07/12/2006		S		800	D	\$31.66	53,634	D	

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	5. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	6. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	7. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	8. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying or Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	9. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	10. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	11. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	12. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$9.97			V	(A) (D)	12/05/2004-08/03/2006	Class A Common Stock 20,000		20,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$21.58					11/23/2005 08/03/2006	Class A Common Stock 10,000		10,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$7.8438	07/12/2006		M		12/02/2001 08/04/2006	Class A Common Stock 20,000	\$0	0	D	

Explanation of Responses:

Kenneth A Olson under POA or
Brian Rehkopf 07/14/2006

** 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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