BERRY PETROLEUM CO

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HEINEMANN ROBERT			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]						5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
	PETROLEUM 5201 TRUXTU	liddle)	3. Date of 1 (Month/Date 03/31/20)	y/Year)		nsaction			_X_ Director _X_ Officer (givel) below)		Owner er (specify
BAKERSFIE	(Street) ELD, CA 93309		4. If Amen Filed(Mont	· ·		e Original			6. Individual or J Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by Form filed by Person	•	erson
(City)	(State)	Zip)	Table	I - Nor	-De	rivative S	ecurit	ties Acc	quired, Disposed (of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executio	med on Date, if Day/Year)	Code (Instr.	8)	4. Securit nAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) o of (D))	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 o Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock									0	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/31/2005(5)			J	V	416 (5)	A	\$ 0 (5)	745	I	Held in 401(k) Plan

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	etion	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisab Date (Month/Day/Year	•	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Secur
				Code	V ((A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Nur Sha
Phantom Stock Units (2)	\$ 0 (1)	03/31/2005		A		3	08/08/1988(2)	08/08/1988(3)	Class A Common Stock	
Non-Statutory Stock Option (NSO) (4)	\$ 16.14						12/02/2002	12/02/2012	Class A Common Stock	5
Non-Statutory Stock Option (NSO) (4)	\$ 19.22						12/02/2003	12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock	5
Non-Statutory Stock Option (NSO) (4)	\$ 28.75						06/16/2005	06/16/2014	Class A Common Stock	10
Non-Statutory Stock Option (NSO) (4)	\$ 43.16						11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	65

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HEINEMANN ROBERT C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN AVE., SUITE 300 BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309	X		President and CEO				
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Signatures

Kenneth A. Olson under POA for Robert F.	04/04/2005
Heinemann	04/04/2003

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- **(1)** 1 for 1
- (2) Phantom Stock Units acquired under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Stock and Compensation Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares are exercisable under the terms of the Plan upon resignation from the Board.
- (3) Phantom Stock Units acquired under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Stock and Compensation Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares expire under the terms of the Plan upon resignation from the Board.
- (4) NSO Right to buy Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- (5) Between January 1, 2005 and March 31, 2005 the reporting person acquired the shares of Berry Petroleum Company Common Stock in the Company's 401(k) Plan. All transactions were at market value and were non-discretionary.

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