Canaday Shawn Michael Form 4 January 10, 2012

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Canaday Shawn Michael			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY, 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/09/2012					Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) below) VP and Treasurer		
(Street) DENVER, CO 80202			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)					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)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-	Derivativ	e Secu	ırities Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Benefici	ally Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Date, if	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3,	ispose	d 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 of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock								1,396	I	Held in the Company's 401(k) Plan
Class A Common Stock	01/09/2012			M	2,351 (5)	A	\$ 44.395	5,554	D	
Class A Common Stock	01/10/2012			S	196 <u>(7)</u>	D	\$ 44.895	5,358	D	
Class A	01/10/2012			S	200 (7)	D	\$	5,158	D	

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Common 44.913 Stock

Class A
Common 01/10/2012 S 300 (7) D \$ 44.932 4,858 D
Stock

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

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

1. Title of

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5. Number 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration 7. Title and A

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

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transactio Code	Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Date (Month/Day/Year)		Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-05-03	\$ 9.97						12/05/2004	12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05	\$ 30.645						12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option 11-23-04	\$ 21.58						11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$ 32.565						12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock
NSO 2007	\$ 43.61						12/14/2008	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock
2008 Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)						12/12/2009(3)	12/11/2018(4)	Class A Common Stock
2009 Restricted	\$ 0						12/11/2010	12/11/2019	Class A Common

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Stock Units							Stock
Perf Based RSUs 3-16-10	\$ 0				12/31/2012	12/31/2012	Class A Common Stock
March 2011 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0				03/02/2012	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Option 3-3-2011 - \$48.50	\$ 48.5				03/02/2012	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock
Perf Based RSU 3-2-2011	\$ 0				12/31/2013	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock
2007 Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	01/09/2012	M	2,351 (6)	12/14/2008	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Canaday Shawn Michael							
C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY			VP and				
1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700			Treasurer				
DENVER, CO 80202							
0'							

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Shawn
Canaday
01/10/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- **(1)** 1 for 1
- (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.
- (5) Issuance of shares from previous RSU grant based on meeting terms and timing of deferral election.
- (6) Issuance of 100% of RSU shares per deferral election in place at date of grant.
- (7) Shares sold to cover tax liability of issuance of deferred RSU shares.

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