#### **DUGINSKI MICHAEL**

Form 4

March 06, 2012

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

DUGINSKI MICHAEL			Symbol  BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]				Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)  C/O BERF COMPAN SUITE 370	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/02/2012				(Check all applicable)  Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Exec. VP & COO					
DENVER,	(Street) CO 80202	Filed(Month/Day/Year)  Applicable Line)  _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person						erson		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	Securities A	equired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/	any	eemed ion Date, if n/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	(A) or 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)	
Common Stock							23,463	D		
Class A Common Stock							13,412	I	Held in 401(k) Plan	
Reminder: Re	class of secu	rities benefic					SEC 1474 (9-02)			

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# $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	orD S A or (I (I	Number Derivative ecurities acquired or Disposed	e (A) ed of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 and
				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 11-23-04	\$ 21.58							11/23/2005	11/23/2014	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 12-15-06	\$ 32.565							12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock
2007 Restricted Stock Unit (1)	\$ 0 (2)							12/14/2008(3)	12/13/2017(4)	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 Stock Units	\$ 0							12/11/2010	12/11/2019	Class A Common Stock
Perf Based RSUs 3-16-10	\$ 0 (5)							12/31/2012(5)	12/31/2012	Class A Common Stock
March 2011 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0							03/02/2012	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock

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Non-Statutory Stock Option 3-2-2011 - \$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
March 2, 2012 Employee RSU Grant (1)	\$ 0 (2)	03/02/2012	A	11,789 (7)	03/02/2013	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock
Non Statutory Stock Option 3-2-12 (1)	\$ 53.02	03/02/2012	A	13,914 (8)	03/02/2013	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock
Perf Based RSUs 3-2-12	\$ 0 (9)	03/02/2012	A	10,314 (10)	12/31/2014	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DUGINSKI MICHAEL C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700 DENVER, CO 80202

Exec. VP & COO

## **Signatures**

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Michael Duginski

03/06/2012

\*\*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.
- 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.
- 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.

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Grant of Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) under the Company's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). RSUs vest 25% per year from date of grant.

- (8) Grant of Nonstatutory Stock Option (NSO) under the Company's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares vest 25% per year from date of grant.
- (9) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock if certain pre-established performance factors are met.
- (10) Per the Agreement this is the maximum number of performance based RSUs that may be received if all performance factors are achieved.

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