BERRY PETROLEUM CO Form SC 13G/A February 14, 2002

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

SCHEDULE 13G Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Amendment No. 2

Berry Petroleum Company	
(Name of Issuer)	
Class A Common Stock, \$0.01 par va	alue
(Title of Class of Securities)	
085789105	
(CUSIP Number)	
December 31, 2001	
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of thi	is Statement)
Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuar is filed:	nt to which this Schedule
[X] Rule 13d-1(b)	
[_] Rule 13d-1(c)	
[_] Rule 13d-1(d)	
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CUSIP No. 085789105 13G	
1. Name of Reporting Person	

I.R.S. Identification No. of above Person

Goldman Sachs Asset Management, a separate operating unit of Goldman, Sachs & Co.

2. Check the Appr	ropria		[_] [_]
3. SEC Use Only			
4. Citizenship or New York	Plac	ce of Organization	
	5.	Sole Voting Power	
Number of		739,700	
Shares	6.	Shared Voting Power	
Beneficially		0	
Owned by			
Each	7.	Sole Dispositive Power	
Reporting		739,700	
Person			
With:	8.	Shared Dispositive Power	
		0	
9. Aggregate Amou	 int Be	eneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person	
739,700			
10. Check if the A	Aggre	gate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Sha	res
			[_]
11. Percent of Cla	ass Re	epresented by Amount in Row (9)	
3.5%			
12. Type of Report		 Person	
IA			

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#### Item 4. Ownership.\*

- (a). Amount beneficially owned:
   See the response(s) to Item 9 on the attached cover page(s).
- (b). Percent of Class:
   See the response(s) to Item 11 on the attached cover page(s).
- (c). Number of shares as to which such person has:
  - (i). Sole power to vote or to direct the vote: See the response(s) to Item 5 on the attached cover page(s).
  - (ii). Shared power to vote or to direct the vote: See the response(s) to Item 6 on the attached cover page(s).
  - (iii). Sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition
     of: See the response(s) to Item 7 on the attached
     cover page(s).
  - (iv). Shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition
     of: See the response(s) to Item 8 on the attached
     cover page(s).
- Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.\*

  If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting persons have ceased to be the beneficial owners of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following [X].
- Item 10. Certification.

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

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<sup>\*</sup> In accordance with Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Release No. 34-39538 (January 12, 1998), this filing reflects the securities beneficially owned by the asset management unit of Goldman, Sachs & Co. (the "Asset Management Unit"). This filing does not reflect securities, if any, beneficially owned by any other operating unit of Goldman, Sachs & Co. The Asset Management Unit disclaims beneficial ownership of the securities beneficially owned by (i) any client accounts with respect to which it or its employees have voting or investment discretion, or both, and (ii) certain investment entities, of which its affiliate is the general partner, managing general partner or other manager, to the extent interests in such entities are held by persons other than the Asset Management Unit.

#### 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.

Date: February 14, 2002

GOLDMAN, SACHS & CO. on behalf of Goldman Sachs Asset Management

By: /s/ Roger S. Begelman

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Name: Roger S. Begelman Title: Attorney-in-fact

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