BERRY PETROLEUM CO

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Anderson Daniel G

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Middle)

(7:m)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

12/14/2007

(Check all applicable)

C/O BERRY PETROLEUM **COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN**

(Street)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner _ Other (specify Officer (give title

below) VP of Rocky Mtn. and Mid Conti

4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

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Person

BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309

(City)	(State)	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)	Transaction (A) or		, 4 and 5)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
CI A			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		TT 11'	
Class A Common Stock	12/14/2007		J <u>(9)</u>	20	A	\$ 0	453	I	Held in 401(k) Plan	
Class A Common Stock	12/15/2007		M(10)	1,250	A	\$ 43.61	2,111	D		
Class A Common Stock	12/15/2007		M <u>(11)</u>	1,750	A	\$ 43.61	3,861	D		
Class A Common	12/15/2007		F(22)	933	D	\$ 43.61	2,928	D		

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Stock

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title a Underly (Instr. 3
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 8.95						08/23/2004	08/23/2013	Class Comn Stoc
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 9.97						12/05/2004	12/05/2013	Class Comm Stoc
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 21.58						11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class Comn Stoc
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 30.645						12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class Comn Stoc
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 34.06						03/22/2009(1)	03/22/2016	Class Comn Stoc
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 32.565						12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class Comn Stoc
2007 Restricted Stock Unit (2)	\$ 0 (3)	12/14/2007		A(4)	4,759		<u>(5)</u>	12/13/2017(6)	Class Comn Stoc
NSO 2007	\$ 43.61	12/14/2007		A <u>(7)</u>	14,279		12/14/2008	12/13/2017	Class Comm Stoc
2005 Restricted	\$ 0 (13)	12/15/2007		M(14)		1,250	(15)	(16)	Class Comn

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Stock Units (12)

2006

Restricted Stock Units (17)

\$ 0 \(\frac{(18)}{2} \) 12/15/2007 \(M \frac{(19)}{2} \) 1,750 \(\frac{(20)}{2} \) (21)

Reporting Owners

Relationships

Stoc

Class

Comn

Stoc

Reporting Owner Name / Address $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Director} & 10\% & \text{Officer} & \text{Other} \end{array}$

Anderson Daniel G

C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 VP of Rocky Mtn. and Mid

TRUXTUN Conti

BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Daniel
Anderson

12/19/2007

**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) Non Statutory Stock Options (NSO). NSOs vest 100% 3 years from date of grant.
- (**2**) 1 for 1
- (3) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- Grant of Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). RSUs vest 25% per year from date of grant.
- (5) 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.
- (6) 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.
- (7) Grant of Nonstatutory Stock Option (NSO) under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares vest 25% per year from date of grant.
- (8) Grant of Nonstatutory Stock Option (NSO) under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares vest 25% per year from date of grant.
- (9) Shares of Common Stock acquired by the reporting person in the Company's 401(k) Plan. All transactions were at market and were non-discretionary.
- (10) Vested shares issued pursuant to Rule 16b-3 plan.
- (11) Vested shares issued pursuant to Rule 16b-3 plan.
- **(12)** 1 for 1
- (13) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- (14) Vesting of 25% of RSUs granted 12-15-2005

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- (15) The restricted stock units vests in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2006. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.
- (16) The restricted stock units vests in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2006. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.
- (17) 1 for 1
- (18) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- (19) Vesting of 25% of RSUs granted 12-15-2006
- (20) The restricted stock units vests in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2007. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.
- (21) The restricted stock units vests in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2007. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.
- (22) Shares withheld incident to vesting of RSUs for the payment of tax liability issued in accordance with Rule 16b-3.

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