BERRY PETROLEUM CO

Form 4

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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).

Stock

(Print or Type Responses)

See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **DUGINSKI MICHAEL** Issuer Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title C/O BERRY PETROLEUM 09/28/2007 below) below) **COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN** Chief Oper. Officer & Exec. VP (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Class A Common D 9.910 Stock Class A Held in Common 09/28/2007 V 55 (7) D \$0 7.872 I 401(k)

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

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Drivative of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		e	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 7.445					02/01/2003	02/01/2012	Class A Common Stock	20,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 8.25					12/06/2003	12/06/2012	Class A Common Stock	30,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 9.97					12/05/2004	12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	60,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 21.58					11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	70,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 30.645					12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	50,000
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (1)					(2)	(3)	Class A Common Stock	7,500
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 32.565					12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	56,000
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (4)					(5)	<u>(6)</u>	Class A Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

		Relationships				
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

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DUGINSKI MICHAEL C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309

Chief Oper. Officer & Exec.

Signatures

a currently valid OMB number.

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Michael Duginski

10/01/2007

**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) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- 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.
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- (5) 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.
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- (7) Changes in the number of shares of Common Stock held in the individuals 401(k) account due to required maintenance of cash position. All transactions were at market and non-discretionary.

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