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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wilson Steven

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY] 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Last)

(First)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 09/01/2009

Director 10% Owner

(Check all applicable)

Officer (give title below)

Other (specify

Treasurer

C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY, 1999 BROADWAY,

SUITE 3700

Stock

DENVER, CO 80202

(Street) 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

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivativ	e Secu	rities Ac	quired, Disposed	of, or Benefic	cially Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	spose 4 and (A) or	d of (D) 5)	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	09/01/2009		Code V M	Amount 2,500	(D)	Price \$ 9.315	8,542	D	
Class A Common Stock	09/01/2009		J <u>(5)</u>	64 (6)	A	\$ 0	2,052	I	Held in the Participant's 401k Account
Class A Common	09/01/2009		S	2,500	D	\$ 23.25	6,042	D	

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

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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 conf Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		le and Expiration	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Se
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Nonstatutory Stock Option 11-23-04	\$ 21.58					11/23/2005	09/10/2009	Class A Common Stock	
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05	\$ 30.645					12/15/2006	02/10/2010	Class A Common Stock	
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$ 32.565					12/15/2007	02/10/2010	Class A Common Stock	
2007 Restricted Stock Unit (1)	\$ 0 (2)					01/01/2008(3)	01/08/2010(4)	Class A Common Stock	
NSO 2007	\$ 43.61					12/14/2008	02/10/2010	Class A Common Stock	
NSO 10-16-03 \$9.315	\$ 9.315	09/01/2009		M	2,500	10/16/2004	09/10/2009	Class A Common Stock	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Wilson Steven C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700			Treasurer			

Reporting Owners 2 **DENVER, CO 80202**

Signatures

Kenneth A. Olson under POA for Steve B.
Wilson

09/01/2009

**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
- 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) 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.
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