FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* MAGRUDER LOGAN						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Executive Vice President				
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN AVE., SUITE 300						3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2005												
(Street) BAKERSFIELD CA 93309 (City) (State) (Zip)					4. If A	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filin Line) X Form filed by One Reperson										Reportir	Reporting Person	
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									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transacti (Instr. 3 a	ion(s)			
Class A Common Stock													50	00	D			
Class A Common Stock 12/15					′2005 ⁽¹	2005(1)		J	v	328(1)	A \$0 ⁽¹⁾		80	5 ⁽¹⁾	I 4		Held in 101(k) Plan	
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemee Execution I if any (Month/Day	Date,	4. Transaction Code (Instr 8)		n of		6. Date Exercisable an Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		te	7. Title and Am of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly O Fo O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O O). wnership orm: irect (D) r Indirect) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisa	ate Ex cercisable Da		Title	Amount or Number of Shares					
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$15.48								08/29/20	04	08/29/2013	Class A Common Stock	40,000		40,000)	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$19.94								12/05/20	04	12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	20,000		20,000)	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$43.16								11/23/20	05	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	35,000		35,000)	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$61.29	12/15/2005			A ⁽²⁾		25,000		12/15/20	06	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	25,000	\$0(2)	25,000		D	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	12/15/2005			A ⁽⁴⁾		5,000		(5)		(5)	Class A Common	5,000	\$0 ⁽⁴⁾	5,000		D	

Explanation of Responses:

- 1. Between January 1, 2005 and December 15, 2005, the reporting person acquired 328 shares of Berry Petroleum Company common stock in the Company's 401(k) plan. All transactions were at market value and were non-discretionary.
- 2. Grant of Nonstatutory Stock Option under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares vest at 25% annually from date of grant.
- 3. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock.
- 4. 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 at 25% annually from date of grant.
- 5. The restricted stock units vest 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.

Remarks:

Kenneth A. Olson under Power of Attorney on file

12/16/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person

Date

- * 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).

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