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## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address BUSCH RAL	1 0	*	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [ BRY ]		ationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer k all applicable) Director 10% Owner		
(Last) C/O BERRY PET TRUXTUN	(First) ROLEUM COMI	(Middle) PANY 5201	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/25/2008		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)	
(Street) BAKERSFIELD	CA (State)	93309 (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	idual or Joint/Group Filin Form filed by One Rep Form filed by More tha Person	oorting Person	

## 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)	3. Transa Code ( 8)		Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 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)	
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(1150.4)
Class A Common Stock								144,238	D	
Class A Common Stock								90,000	Ι	As Co- Trustee of Charitable Trust
Class A Common Stock								126,665	I	As Co- Trustee of Union Bank Trust Shares
Class A Common Stock								532	I	As Custodian for Minor Children
Class A Common Stock	03/25/2008		s		500	D	\$45.575	7,000	I	Busch Family Foundation

 
 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative	4. Transaction		5. Number		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities		8. Price of Derivative	9. Number of derivative	10. Ownership	11. Nature of Indirect			
Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code ( 8)				(Month/Day/Year)		Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12- 2-2000	\$7.8438							12/02/2000	12/02/2010	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12- 2-01	\$7.725							12/02/2001	12/02/2011	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12- 2-02	\$8.07							12/02/2002	12/02/2012	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12- 2-03	\$9.61							12/02/2003	12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D	

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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. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code ( 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) ed		Expiration Date		Expiration Date		and 7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares								
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12- 2-04	\$21.77							12/02/2004	12/02/2014	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D					
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-05	\$30.645							12/15/2005	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D					
Phantom Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup>	\$0 <sup>(2)</sup>							08/08/1988 <sup>(3)</sup>	08/08/1988 <sup>(4)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	15,029		15,029	D					
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12- 15-06	\$32.565							12/15/2006	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	10,000		10,000	D					
2007 Restricted Stock Unit	\$0							01/01/2008 <sup>(5)</sup>	12/13/2017 <sup>(6)</sup>	Class A Common Stock	1,319		1,319	D					
NSO 2007	\$43.61							12/14/2007	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	3,956		3,956	D					

Explanation of Responses:

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3. Phantom Stock Units acquired under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares of Common Stock are issued under terms of the Plan upon resignation from the board of directors.

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5. The RSU granted is 100% vested at the date of grant but the receipt of shares are subject to a deferral period which is generally at least four years from the 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.

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Ralph Busch

Date

03/26/2008

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

\* 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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Known all by these present, that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appointsthe Corporate Secretary or any Assistant Corporate Secretary, as duly appointed by the Board of Directors from time to time for Berry Petroleum Company, as the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

1. execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or director of Berry Petroleum Company (the "Company"), Form 3, 4, 5, and Form 144 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

2. do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, 5, and Form 144 and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

3. take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required of, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneyin-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, is not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and further acknowledges that the undersigned remains solely responsible for the facts disclosed in any such form.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the expiration date noted below or until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4 and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of securities issued or interest in securities to be issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 13 day of February 2008.

/s/ Ralph B. Busch III Signature

02/15/2011 Expiration Date Ralph B. Busch III Print Name