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Check th Section 1 obligation Instruction	_ STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP										Est	OMB APPROVAL OMB Number: 3235-034 Estimated average burden							
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] DUGINSKI MICHAEL				2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>BERRY PETROLEUM CO</u> [BRY]									5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				ier		
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN AVE., SUITE 300				3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2003									X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) Vice President of Corp Devel.						
												6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)					cable		
(Street) BAKERSFIELD CA 93309													X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person						
(City)																			
		Tabl	e I - Non-Deriv	ative Secu	uritie	es Ac	quire	ed, Di	isposed	of, or	Benef	icial	ly Owned						
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)			2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Dispos Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			sed	Securities Beneficially Owned at end				7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership			
										(A) or (D)	Price		Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4)		Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		(Instr. 4)		
Class A Common Stock												1,60	i00		C				
Class A Common Stock 12/31/2003 ⁽¹⁾						J		2,114 ⁽¹⁾		A	A \$0 ⁽¹⁾		2,114 ⁽¹⁾				Held 401(l in (k) Plan	
		Ta	able II - Deriva (e.g., p	tive Secur outs, calls,									Owned						
Derivative Conversion Date		3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	of Deri Secu Acq (A) o Disp of (E	osed)) tr. 3, 4	Expir	te Exercisable and ation Date th/Day/Year)		Amou Secu Unde Deriv	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Secu (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)	
					(A)	(D)	Date Exerc	cisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares								
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$14.89						02/03	1/2003	02/01/2012	2 Class Comr Stor	non 30),000		30,000		D			
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$16.5						12/06	6/2003	12/06/2012	2 Class 2 Comr Stoo	non 15	i,000		15,	15,000				
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$19.94						12/05	5/2004	12/05/2013	Class Comr Stoo	non 30),000		30,	000	D			

Explanation of Responses:

1. Between January 1 and December 31, 2003, the reporting person acquired 2114 shares of Berry Petroleum Company common stock under the Berry 401(k) plan. Purchases were non-discretionary and at market value. The information in this report is based on a plan statement dated as of December 31, 2003.

Remarks:

Kenneth A. Olson under Power of Attorney on file 01/08/2004

porting Person Date

** 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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