BERRY PETROLEUM CO

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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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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Issuer

Director

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10% Owner

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obligations

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. See Instruction

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Symbol

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

JAMIESON THOMAS J

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Middle)

C/O BERR COMPAN	03/31/2	008		Officer (g	give title(below)	Other (specify				
(Street) 4. If Ame				ate Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check					
BAKERSF	IELD, CA 93309	Filed(Mo	nth/Day/Yea	r)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
(City) (State) (Zip) 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities onAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price	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					33,800	I	Owned by corporation			
Class A Common Stock					28,000	D				
Class A Common Stock					25,000	I	Owned by partnership			
Class A Common					26,000	I	Owned by Trust			

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(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

Stock

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

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	Derivative (Month/Day/Year)		Date		7. Title and Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of S
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-2-98	\$ 6.3125						12/02/1998	12/02/2008	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-99	\$ 7.0312						12/02/1999	12/02/2009	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-2000	\$ 7.8438						12/02/2000	12/02/2010	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-01	\$ 7.725						12/02/2001	12/02/2011	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-02	\$ 8.07						12/02/2002	12/02/2012	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-03	\$ 9.61						12/02/2003	12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock	10
	\$ 21.77						12/02/2004	12/02/2014		10

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Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-04								Class A Common Stock	
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05	\$ 30.645					12/15/2005	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$ 32.565					12/15/2006	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	10
2007 Restricted Stock Unit (1)	\$ 0					01/01/2008(2)	12/13/2017(3)	Class A Common Stock	1,
NSO 2007	\$ 43.61					12/14/2007	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	3,
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0 (4)	03/31/2008	1	A	425	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Class A Common Stock	32

Reporting Owners

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

JAMIESON THOMAS J C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Thomas

Jamieson 04/02/2008

**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) 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.
- (3) 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.
- (4) 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.

Remarks:

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Beginning Phantom Stock Holdings were increased from 32,047 to 32,114 due to an error in computing shares earned in 2007. The additional 67 shares were added to the beginning share holdings.

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