

Wolf David D
Form 4
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FORM 4

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

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Wolf David D

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BERRY PETROLEUM
COMPANY, 1999 BROADWAY,
SUITE 3700

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
Symbol

BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

01/09/2012

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)
Exec VP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 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)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount Price			
Class A Common Stock					5,503	I	Held in the Company's 401(k) Plan
Class A Common Stock	01/09/2012		M	6,071 (4)	A \$ 44.395 32,291	D	
Class A Common Stock	01/10/2012		S	96 (6)	D \$ 44.965 32,195	D	
Class A	01/10/2012		S	700 (6)	D \$ 44.97 31,495	D	

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Common
Stock

Class A

Common 01/10/2012
Stock

S 200 (6) D \$ 44,993 31,295 D

Class A

Common 01/10/2012
Stock

S 100 (6) D \$ 45.0111 31,195 D

Class A

Common 01/10/2012
Stock

S 700 (6) D \$ 45.013 30,495 D

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 of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Underlying S (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
NSO	\$ 41.18					08/04/2011 08/03/2018	Class A Common Stock
2008 Restricted Stock Units <u>(1)</u>	\$ 0					12/12/2009 ⁽²⁾ 12/11/2018 ⁽³⁾	Class A Common Stock
2009 Restricted Stock Units <u>(1)</u>	\$ 0					12/11/2010 ⁽²⁾ 12/11/2019 ⁽³⁾	Class A Common Stock
Perf Based RSUs 3-16-10	\$ 0					12/31/2012 03/15/2020	Class A Common Stock
March 2011 Employee	\$ 0					03/02/2012 03/02/2021	Class A Common

RSU Grant								Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Option 3-3-2011 - \$48.50	\$ 48.5					03/02/2012	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock
RSU 8-4-08	\$ 0	01/09/2012	M	6,071 (5)	08/04/2011	08/03/2018		Class A Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Wolf David D C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700 DENVER, CO 80202			Exec VP and CFO	

Signatures

Kenneth A. Olson under POA for David D.
Wolf

01/11/2012

__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 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.
- (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) Issuance of shares from previous RSU grant based on meeting terms and timing of deferral election.
- (5) Issuance of 20% of RSU shares per deferral election in place at date of grant.
- (6) Shares sold to cover tax liability of issuance of deferred RSU shares.

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