DUGINSKI MICHAEL

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * DUGINSKI MICHAEL			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]				5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(Check all applicable)					
	Y PETROLE 7, 1999 BRO 0		(Month/D 03/31/20	•				below)	ve title Oth below) per. Officer & Ex		
	(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting			
DENVER,	CO 80202							Person	More man One K	eporting	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table	e I - Non-De	erivative S	Securi	ties Acc	quired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction (Month/Day/Y	any	emed ion Date, if n/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	Disposed (Instr. 3,	d (A) od of (D) 4 and (A) or)) 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)	
Common Stock								16,566	D		
Class A Common Stock	03/31/2009			J <u>(17)</u> V	91 (18)	D	\$0	11,035	I	Held in 401(k) Plan	
Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB control SEC 1474 (9-02)											

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Dr.Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and A	Secui
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	An or Nu of S
Nonstatutory Stock Option 2-1-02	\$ 7.445					02/01/2003	02/01/2012	Class A Common Stock	20
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-6-02	\$ 8.25					12/06/2003	12/06/2012	Class A Common Stock	30
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-05-03	\$ 9.97					12/05/2004	12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	60
Nonstatutory Stock Option 11-23-04	\$ 21.58					11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	70
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05	\$ 30.645					12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	50
2005 Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (2)					12/15/2006(3)	12/14/2015 <u>(4)</u>	Class A Common Stock	2.
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$ 32.565					12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	56
2006 Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <u>(6)</u>					12/15/2007(7)	12/14/2016 <u>(8)</u>	Class A Common Stock	5.
2007 Restricted Stock Unit (9)	\$ 0 (10)					12/14/2008(11)	12/13/2017(12)	Class A Common Stock	12

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NSO 2007	\$ 43.61	12/14/2008	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	36
2008 Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 <u>(14)</u>	12/12/2009(15)	12/11/2018(16)	Class A Common Stock	70

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
DUGINSKI MICHAEL C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700 DENVER, CO 80202			Chief Oper. Officer & Exec. VP				

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Michael Duginski

04/02/2009

**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) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- (3) The restricted stock units vests 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.
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- (**9**) 1 for 1
- (10) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- (11) 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.
- (12) 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.
- (13) 1 for 1
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- (15) 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.
- (16) 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.
- (17) Changes in the number of shares of Common Stock held in the individuals 401(k) account due to required maintenance of cash position. All transactions were at market and non-discretionary.
- (18) Shares of Common Stock acquired by the reporting person in the Company's 401(k) Plan. All transactions were at market and were non-discretionary.

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