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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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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JAMIESON THOMAS J			uer Name and Ticker or Trading ol RY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN		(Mont 06/30	e of Earliest Transaction n/Day/Year) /2006	Director Officer (§ below)		10% Owner Other (specify	
BAKERSFI	(Street) IELD, CA 93309	Filed(1	mendment, Date Original 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 Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip) T	able I - Non-Derivative Securities A	cquired, Dispose	d of, or Benefic	cially Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		Code Disposed of (D)	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				18,000	D		
Class A Common Stock				25,000	I	Owned by partnership	

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

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 $\label{thm:convergence} \begin{tabular}{ll} Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned \\ (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) \end{tabular}$

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amor Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nu of S
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 9.4688					12/02/1997	12/02/2007	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 6.3125					12/02/1998	12/02/2008	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$ 7.0312					12/02/1999	12/02/2009	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$ 7.8438					12/02/2000	12/02/2010	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$ 7.725					12/02/2001	12/02/2011	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$ 8.07					12/02/2002	12/02/2012	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$ 9.61					12/02/2003	12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$ 21.77					12/02/2004	12/02/2014	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 30.645					12/15/2005	12/15/2015	Class A Common	10

Stock

Phantom Stock Units $\$ 0 \frac{(2)}{2}$ 06/30/2006 A 523 08/08/1988 $\frac{(3)}{2}$ 08/08/1988 $\frac{(4)}{2}$ Common Stock

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 07/05/2006

**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)** 1 for 1
- (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.
- (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:

All prices and quantities have been adjusted for the Company's 2-for-1 stock split on May 17, 2006.

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