BERRY PETROLEUM CO

Form 4

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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 * Anderson Daniel G			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner		
C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN			12/15/2006	Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP of Rocky Mtn. and Mid Conti		
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-D	erivative	Securi	ities Acqui	red, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y 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) (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount		Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Class A Common Stock	12/15/2006		J V	18 (2)	A	\$ 0	338	I	Held in 401(k) Plan
Class A Common Stock	12/15/2006		M(10)	1,250	A	\$ 32.565	1,250	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/15/2006		F(16)	389	D	\$ 32.565	861	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 (Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D)	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Underlying (Instr. 3 an
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 8.95						08/23/2004	08/23/2013	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 9.97						12/05/2004	12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 21.58						11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 30.645						12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 34.06						03/22/2009(1)	03/22/2016	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 32.565	12/15/2006		A(3)	20,000		12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (5)	12/15/2006		A(6)	7,000		<u>(8)</u>	(9)	Class A Common Stock
Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0 (12)	12/15/2006		M(13)		1,250	(14)	(15)	Class A Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	Officer	Other		

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10% Owner

Anderson Daniel G C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309

VP of Rocky Mtn. and Mid Conti

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Daniel Anderson

12/19/2006

**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) Non Statutory Stock Options (NSO). NSOs vest 100% 3 years from date of grant.
- (2) 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.
- (3) Grant of Nonstatutory Stock Option (NSO) under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares vest 25% per year from date of grant.
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- (5) The restricted stock units vests in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2007. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.
- (6) Grant of Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). RSUs vest 25% per year from date of grant.
- (7) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- (8) The restricted stock units vests in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2007. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.
- (9) The restricted stock units vests in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2007. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.
- (10) Vested shares issued pursuant to Rule 16b-3 plan.
- **(11)** 1 for 1
- (12) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- (13) Vesting of 25% of RSUs granted 12-15-2006
- 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.
- (15) 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.
- (16) Shares withheld incident to vesting of RSUs for the payment of tax liability issued in accordance with Rule 16b-3.

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