

Canaday Shawn Michael
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Canaday Shawn Michael

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)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/15/2010

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

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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DENVER, CO 80202

(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. 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) | Price | | | |
| | | | | Code | V | Amount | | |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/15/2010 | | M | 250 ⁽⁹⁾ | A | \$ 42.895 | 3,272 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/15/2010 | | J ⁽¹⁰⁾ | 51 ⁽¹¹⁾ | A | \$ 0 | 1,368 | I |
| | | | | | | | | Held in the Company's 401(k) Plan |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/15/2010 | | A | 9 ⁽¹²⁾ | A | \$ 0 | 3,281 | D |
| Class A Common Stock | 12/17/2010 | | S | 78 ⁽¹⁴⁾ | D | \$ 43.12 | 3,203 | D |

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Common
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
(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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------|----------------|
| | | | | Code | V (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Am or Num of S |
| Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-05-03 | \$ 9.97 | | | | | 12/05/2004 | 12/05/2013 | Class A Common Stock | 5, |
| Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05 | \$ 30.645 | | | | | 12/15/2006 | 12/15/2015 | Class A Common Stock | 10 |
| Nonstatutory Stock Option 11-23-04 | \$ 21.58 | | | | | 11/23/2005 | 11/23/2014 | Class A Common Stock | 10 |
| Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06 | \$ 32.565 | | | | | 12/15/2007 | 12/14/2016 | Class A Common Stock | 12 |
| 2007 Restricted Stock Unit ⁽¹⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽²⁾ | | | | | 12/14/2008 ⁽³⁾ | 12/13/2017 ⁽⁴⁾ | Class A Common Stock | 2, |
| NSO 2007 | \$ 43.61 | | | | | 12/14/2008 | 12/13/2017 | Class A Common Stock | 7, |
| 2008 Restricted Stock Units ⁽⁵⁾ | \$ 0 ⁽⁶⁾ | | | | | 12/12/2009 ⁽⁷⁾ | 12/11/2018 ⁽⁸⁾ | Class A Common Stock | 14 |

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|-----------------------------------|------|------------|---|--------------------|------------|------------|----------------------------|----|
| 2009 Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | | | | 12/11/2010 | 12/11/2019 | Class A Common Stock | 7, |
| Perf Based RSUs 3-16-10 | \$ 0 | | | | 12/31/2012 | 12/31/2012 | Class A Common Stock | 3, |
| 2006 Restricted Stock Units | \$ 0 | 12/15/2010 | M | <u>250</u> (13) | 12/15/2007 | 12/14/2016 | Class A Common Stock | 2 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|---------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Canaday Shawn Michael C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700 DENVER, CO 80202 | | | VP and Treasurer | |

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Shawn
Canaday

12/17/2010

__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 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.
- (4) 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.
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- (7) 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.
- (8) 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.
- (9) Vested shares issued pursuant to Rule 16b-3 plan.
- (10) Increase in shares from the reinvestment of dividends paid on common stock.
- (11) 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.
- (12) Increase in shares from the reinvestment of dividends paid on common stock.

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(13) Vesting of 25% of RSUs granted 12-15-2006 under a Rule 16b-3 Plan

(14) Shares sold to cover taxes on RSU vesting under Rule 16b-3 Plan.

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