

BUSCH RALPH B III
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ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BUSCH RALPH B III

(Last) (First) (Middle)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]

3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)
12/31/2011

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting

(check applicable line)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

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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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (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	^	^	^	^ ^ ^	70,000	I	As Co-Trustee of Charitable Trust
Class A Common Stock	^	^	^	^ ^ ^	123,583	I	As Co-Trustee of Union Bank Trust

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									Shares
Class A Common Stock	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	Â	7,250	I	Busch Family Foundation
Class A Common Stock	12/30/2011	Â	A	20 ⁽⁵⁾	A	\$ 0	140,468	D	Â
Class A Common Stock	12/30/2011	Â	A	94 ⁽⁵⁾	A	\$ 0	14,526	I	As Custodian for Minor Children

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 Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
					(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-02	\$ 8.07	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	12/02/2002	12/02/2012	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-03	\$ 9.61	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	12/02/2003	12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-04	\$ 21.77	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	12/02/2004	12/02/2014	Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05	\$ 30.645	Â	Â	Â	Â Â	12/15/2005	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock

