

BERRY PETROLEUM CO  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
**JAMIESON THOMAS J**

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)  
**08/04/2008**

\_\_\_ 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 Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person  
\_\_\_ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**DENVER, CA 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | Amount  | (A) or (D)   | Price                             |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |  |                                |   | 33,800  | I  | Owned by corporation              |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |  |                                |   | 25,000  | I  | Owned by partnership              |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |  |                                |   | 26,000  | I  | Owned by Trust                    |
| Class A                         | 08/04/2008                           |  | M                              |   | 10,000  | A  | \$ 38,000                         |

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|                      |            |  |   |        |   |           |          |
|----------------------|------------|--|---|--------|---|-----------|----------|
| Common Stock         |            |  |   |        |   | 6.3125    |          |
| Class A Common Stock | 08/04/2008 |  | M | 10,000 | A | \$ 7.0312 | 48,000 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |                      |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|----------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V (A) (D)   | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date                                   | Title                |
| Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-2000       | \$ 7.8438  |                                      |  |                                |   | 12/02/2000   | 12/02/2010  | Class A Common Stock |
| Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-01         | \$ 7.725   |                                      |  |                                |   | 12/02/2001   | 12/02/2011  | Class A Common Stock |
| Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-02         | \$ 8.07  |                                      |  |                                |   | 12/02/2002   | 12/02/2012  | Class A Common Stock |
| Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-03         | \$ 9.61  |                                      |  |                                |   | 12/02/2003   | 12/02/2013  | Class A Common Stock |
| Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-04         | \$ 21.77   |                                      |  |                                |   | 12/02/2004   | 12/02/2014  | Class A Common Stock |
|  | \$ 30.645  |                                      |  |                                |   | 12/15/2005   | 12/15/2015  |                      |



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- (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.
- (5) 1 for 1
- (6) The RSU granted is 100% vested at the date of grant but the receipt of shares are subject to a deferral period which is generally at least four years from the grant date as per the deferral election.
- (7) 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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