

BERRY PETROLEUM CO
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BERRY PETROLEUM
COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN

(Street)

BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
06/05/2007

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 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) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock					97,750	I	As Co-Trustee of Charitable Trust
Class A Common Stock					128,040	I	As Co-Trustee of Union Bank Trust Shares
Class A Common Stock					7,500	I	Busch Family

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Stock								Foundation
Class A Common Stock	06/05/2007	S	200	D	\$ 38.61	145,378	D	
Class A Common Stock	06/05/2007	S	300	D	\$ 38.62	145,078	D	
Class A Common Stock	06/06/2007	S	500	D	\$ 38	144,578	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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$ 7.8438					12/02/2000 12/02/2010	Class A Common Stock 10,000
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$ 7.725					12/02/2001 12/02/2011	Class A Common Stock 10,000
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$ 8.07					12/02/2002 12/02/2012	Class A Common Stock 10,000
Nonstatutory Stock Options	\$ 9.61					12/02/2003 12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock 10,000
	\$ 21.77					12/02/2004 12/02/2014	10,000

Nonstatutory Stock Options				Class A Common Stock	
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 30.645		12/15/2005 12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	10,0
Phantom Stock Units <u>(1)</u>	\$ 0 <u>(2)</u>		08/08/1988 ⁽³⁾ 08/08/1988 ⁽⁴⁾	Class A Common Stock	14,0
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 32.565		12/15/2006 12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	10,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Ralph
Busch 06/07/2007

 **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).

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- (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.
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