JAMIESON THOMAS J

Form 4

Stock Class A

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OMB APPROVAL UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading JAMIESON THOMAS J Issuer Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title C/O BERRY PETROLEUM 12/04/2008 below) COMPANY, 1999 BROADWAY, **SUITE 3700** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DENVER, CA 80202 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 1. Title of 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Direct (D) Ownership Following or Indirect (Instr. 4) Reported (I) (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Price Code V Amount (D) Class A Owned by Common 33,800 Ι corporation Stock Class A Common 48,000 D Stock Class A Owned by Common 25,000 Ι

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900

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53,534

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Owned by

Common Stock					8.62			Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	200	A	\$ 8.63	53,734	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	5,700	A	\$ 8.65	59,434	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	1,700	A	\$ 8.66	61,134	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	1,500	A	\$ 8.67	62,634	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	5,000	A	\$ 8.8	67,634	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	300	A	\$ 8.92	67,934	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	100	A	\$ 8.93	68,034	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	200	A	\$ 8.94	68,234	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	11,503	A	\$ 8.95	79,737	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	1,093	A	\$ 8.96	80,830	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	2,600	A	\$ 8.97	83,430	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	3,100	A	\$ 8.98	86,530	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	700	A	\$ 8.99	87,230	I	Owned by Trust
Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	10,832	A	\$9	98,062	I	Owned by Trust

Class A Common Stock	12/04/2008	P	5,000	A	\$ 9.01	103,062	I	Owned by Trust
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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Lunderlying (Instr. 3 and	Securiti
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-2000	\$ 7.8438					12/02/2000	12/02/2010	Class A Common Stock	10,0
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-01	\$ 7.725					12/02/2001	12/02/2011	Class A Common Stock	10,0
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-02	\$ 8.07					12/02/2002	12/02/2012	Class A Common Stock	10,0
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-03	\$ 9.61					12/02/2003	12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock	10,0
Nonstatutory Stock Options 12-2-04	\$ 21.77					12/02/2004	12/02/2014	Class A Common Stock	10,0
	\$ 30.645					12/15/2005	12/15/2015		10,0

Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05				Class A Common Stock	
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0 <u>(2)</u>	08/08/1988(3)	08/08/1988(4)	Class A Common Stock	33,4
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$ 32.565	12/15/2006	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	10,0
2007 Restricted Stock Unit (5)	\$ 0	01/01/2008(6)	12/13/2017(7)	Class A Common Stock	1,3
NSO 2007	\$ 43.61	12/14/2007	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	3,9

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

JAMIESON THOMAS J C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700 DENVER, CA 80202

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Thomas

Jamieson 12/05/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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)** 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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- **(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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