

BERRY PETROLEUM CO

Form 4

December 27, 2007

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
GOEHRING RALPH J

(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)
12/27/2007

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)

Executive VP and CFO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

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)
Class A Common Stock					4,976	I	Held in 401(k) Plan
Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007		M	4,500 A	\$ 21.58 72,686	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007		S	200 D	\$ 46.12 72,486	D	
Class A Common	12/27/2007		S	100 D	\$ 46.11 72,386	D	

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Stock

Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007	S	200	D	\$ 46.09	72,186	D
Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007	S	100	D	\$ 46.07	72,086	D
Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007	S	100	D	\$ 46.06	71,986	D
Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007	S	100	D	\$ 46.05	71,886	D
Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007	S	200	D	\$ 46.04	71,686	D
Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007	S	300	D	\$ 46.03	71,386	D
Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007	S	500	D	\$ 46.02	70,886	D
Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007	S	500	D	\$ 46.01	70,386	D
Class A Common Stock	12/27/2007	S	2,200	D	\$ 46	68,186	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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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					Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
			Code	V	(A)	(D)			
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 30.645					12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	40,000
2005 Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)					(3)	(4)	Class A Common Stock	5,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 32.565					12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	40,000
2006 Restricted Stock Units (5)	\$ 0 (6)					(7)	(8)	Class A Common Stock	7,500
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 21.58	12/27/2007	M		4,500	11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	4,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
GOEHRING RALPH J C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309			Executive VP and CFO	

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Ralph
Goehring 12/27/2007

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

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(2) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock

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- (6) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- (7) The restricted stock units vests in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2007. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.
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