

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 \*  
REHKOPF BRIAN L

(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)  
07/26/2006

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)  
Former Vice President

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Price   |  |                                   |
| Class A Common Stock            | 07/26/2006                           |  | S                              | 100   | D \$ 32.03  | 75,634   | D                                 |
| Class A Common Stock            | 07/26/2006                           |  | S                              | 100   | D \$ 32.04  | 75,534   | D                                 |
| Class A Common Stock            | 07/26/2006                           |  | S                              | 300   | D \$ 32.05  | 75,234   | D                                 |
| Class A Common                  | 07/26/2006                           |  | S                              | 100   | D \$ 32.07  | 75,134   | D                                 |

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|----------------------------|------------|---|-------|---|-------------|--------|---|
| Stock                      |            |   |       |   |             |        |   |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 100   | D | \$<br>32.08 | 75,034 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 100   | D | \$<br>32.09 | 74,934 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 100   | D | \$ 32.1     | 74,834 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 200   | D | \$<br>32.13 | 74,634 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 300   | D | \$<br>32.14 | 74,334 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 2,000 | D | \$<br>32.15 | 72,334 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 100   | D | \$<br>32.16 | 72,234 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 100   | D | \$<br>32.18 | 72,134 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 8,900 | D | \$ 32.2     | 63,234 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 1,100 | D | \$<br>32.21 | 62,134 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 400   | D | \$<br>32.23 | 61,734 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 400   | D | \$<br>32.25 | 61,334 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 400   | D | \$<br>32.28 | 60,934 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 | S | 1,500 | D | \$ 32.3     | 59,434 | D |

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|----------------------------|------------|--|---|-------|---|-------------|--------|---|
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 |  | S | 100   | D | \$<br>32.31 | 59,334 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 |  | S | 300   | D | \$<br>32.34 | 59,034 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 |  | S | 3,900 | D | \$<br>32.35 | 55,134 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 |  | S | 200   | D | \$<br>32.36 | 54,934 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 |  | S | 600   | D | \$<br>32.37 | 54,334 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 |  | S | 200   | D | \$<br>32.38 | 54,134 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 |  | S | 200   | D | \$ 32.4     | 53,934 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 |  | S | 200   | D | \$<br>32.45 | 53,734 | D |
| Class A<br>Common<br>Stock | 07/26/2006 |  | S | 100   | D | \$<br>32.47 | 53,634 | 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<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | 3. Transaction Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed<br>Execution Date, if<br>any<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction<br>Code<br>(Instr. 8) | 5. Number<br>of<br>Derivative<br>Securities<br>Acquired<br>(A) or<br>Disposed<br>of (D)<br>(Instr. 3,<br>4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and<br>Expiration Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and<br>Amount of<br>Underlying<br>Securities<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 5) | 9. Nu<br>Deriv<br>Secur<br>Benef<br>Own<br>Follo<br>Repo<br>Trans<br>(Instr |
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|      |   |                     |                    |       |  |
|------|---|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|
|      |   |                     |                    |       | Amount<br>or<br>Number<br>of<br>Shares |
|      |   | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title |  |
| Code | V | (A)                 | (D)                |       |  |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address   | Relationships |           |         |                       |
|--|---------------|-----------|---------|-----------------------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer | Other                 |
| REHKOPF BRIAN L<br>C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN<br>BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309 |               |           |         | Former Vice President |

## Signatures

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Kenneth A Olson under POA or Brian<br>Rehkopf | 07/27/2006 |
| **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).

### Remarks:

All amounts and quantities have been adjusted for the Company's 2-for-1 stock split to shareholders of record on May 17, 2006.

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