

DUGINSKI MICHAEL  
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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 \*  
DUGINSKI MICHAEL

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY, 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
03/02/2012

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)  
Exec. VP & COO

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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)<br>Code V Amount (D) Price                             |   |  |                                   |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |  |                                |   | 23,463  | D  |                                   |
| Class A Common Stock            |                                      |  |                                |   | 13,412  | I  | Held in 401(k) Plan               |

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 (Instr. 3 and 4) |                           |                           |                            |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
|  |  |                                      |  | Code                           | V   | (A)  | (D)                                      | Date Exercisable          | Expiration Date           | Title                      |
| Nonstatutory Stock Option<br>12-05-03      | \$ 9.97  |                                      |  |                                |   |  |  | 12/05/2004                | 12/05/2013                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |
| Nonstatutory Stock Option<br>11-23-04      | \$ 21.58   |                                      |  |                                |   |  |  | 11/23/2005                | 11/23/2014                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |
| Nonstatutory Stock Option<br>12-15-05      | \$ 30.645  |                                      |  |                                |   |  |  | 12/15/2006                | 12/15/2015                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |
| Nonstatutory Stock Option<br>12-15-06      | \$ 32.565  |                                      |  |                                |   |  |  | 12/15/2007                | 12/14/2016                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |
| 2007 Restricted Stock Unit <sup>(1)</sup>  | \$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>                                    |                                      |  |                                |   |  |  | 12/14/2008 <sup>(3)</sup> | 12/13/2017 <sup>(4)</sup> | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |
| NSO 2007                                   | \$ 43.61   |                                      |  |                                |   |  |  | 12/14/2008                | 12/13/2017                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |
| 2008 Restricted Stock Units <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 0 <sup>(2)</sup>                                    |                                      |  |                                |   |  |  | 12/12/2009 <sup>(3)</sup> | 12/11/2018 <sup>(4)</sup> | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |
| 2009 Restricted Stock Units                | \$ 0   |                                      |  |                                |   |  |  | 12/11/2010                | 12/11/2019                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |
| Perf Based RSUs 3-16-10 <sup>(1)</sup>     | \$ 0 <sup>(5)</sup>                                    |                                      |  |                                |   |  |  | 12/31/2012 <sup>(5)</sup> | 12/31/2012                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |
| March 2011 Employee RSU Grant              | \$ 0   |                                      |  |                                |   |  |  | 03/02/2012                | 03/02/2021                | Class A<br>Common<br>Stock |



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Grant of Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) under the Company's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). RSUs vest 25% per year from date of grant.

- (8) Grant of Nonstatutory Stock Option (NSO) under the Company's 2010 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares vest 25% per year from date of grant.
- (9) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock if certain pre-established performance factors are met.
- (10) Per the Agreement this is the maximum number of performance based RSUs that may be received if all performance factors are achieved.

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