

Ciotti George W
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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 *
 Ciotti George W

(Last) (First) (Middle)

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)

VP of Rocky Mtn Prod

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) Price			
Class A Common Stock					7,702	D	
Class A Common Stock					2,598	I	Held in 401(k) account

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)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title
2008 Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0					12/11/2009 ⁽²⁾ 12/11/2018	Class A Common Stock
2009 Restricted Stock Units ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0					12/11/2010 ⁽²⁾ 12/11/2019	Class A Common Stock
Perf Based RSUs 3-16-10	\$ 0					12/31/2012 12/31/2012	Class A Common Stock
March 2011 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0					03/02/2012 03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock
Non-Statutory Stock Option 3-2-2011 - \$48.50	\$ 48.5					03/02/2012 03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock
Perf Based RSU 3-2-2011	\$ 0					12/31/2013 03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock
March 2, 2012 Employee RSU Grant ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0 ⁽³⁾	03/02/2012		A	3,678 ⁽⁴⁾	03/02/2013 03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock
Non Statutory Stock Option 3-2-12 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 53.02	03/02/2012		A	4,342 ⁽⁵⁾	03/02/2013 03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock
Perf Based RSUs 3-2-12 ⁽¹⁾	\$ 0 ⁽⁶⁾	03/02/2012		A	3,218 ⁽⁷⁾	12/31/2014 03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock

