

BERRY PETROLEUM CO  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**REHKOPF BRIAN L**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY, 5201 TRUXTUN AVE., SUITE 300

(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)  
03/14/2005

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)  
Vice President of Engineering

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)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock	03/14/2005		S	1,753 D \$ 54.5	26,787	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/14/2005		S	1,600 D \$ 54.51	25,187	D	
Class A Common Stock	03/14/2005		S	200 D \$ 51.61	24,987	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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or Number of Shares
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 15.5					06/02/1998 06/02/2007	Class A Common Stock 30,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 19.375					12/05/1998 12/05/2007	Class A Common Stock 10,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 12.5					12/04/1999 12/04/2008	Class A Common Stock 10,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 15.69					12/02/2001 12/02/2010	Class A Common Stock 20,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 16.3					12/07/2002 12/07/2011	Class A Common Stock 20,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 16.5					12/06/2003 12/06/2012	Class A Common Stock 7,500
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 19.94					12/05/2004 12/05/2013	Class A Common 20,000

(Right to Buy) NSO				Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 43.16	11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock 20,000

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
REHKOPF BRIAN L C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN AVE., SUITE 300 BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309			Vice President of Engineering	

## Signatures

Kenneth A. Olson under Power of Attorney  
on file

03/16/2005

\*\*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).

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