MAGRUDER LOGAN

Form 4

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Class A

Stock

Common

12/15/2005(1)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading MAGRUDER LOGAN Issuer Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify C/O BERRY PETROLEUM 12/15/2005 below) COMPANY, 5201 TRUXTUN **Executive Vice President** AVE., SUITE 300 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Indirect (I) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (Instr. 4) **Following** (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Class A Common 500 D Stock

V 328 (1) A

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)

]	. 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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivativ Securities Acquired or Dispos (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	e (A) sed of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amoun Underlying Securiti (Instr. 3 and 4)	
					Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amor or Numl of Sh
(Nonstatutory Stock Option Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 15.48						08/29/2004	08/29/2013	Class A Common Stock	40,0
(Nonstatutory Stock Option Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 19.94						12/05/2004	12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	20,0
(Nonstatutory Stock Option Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 43.16						11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	35,0
(Nonstatutory Stock Option Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 61.29	12/15/2005		A(2)	25,000		12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	25,0
,	Restricted Stock Units RSU) (3)	(3)	12/15/2005		A(4)	5,000		<u>(5)</u>	<u>(5)</u>	Class A Common Stock	5,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MAGRUDER LOGAN C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN AVE., SUITE 300 BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309			Executive Vice President			

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Date

Signatures

Kenneth A. Olson under Power of Attorney on file 12/16/2005

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- (1) Between January 1, 2005 and December 15, 2005, the reporting person acquired 328 shares of Berry Petroleum Company common stock in the Company's 401(k) plan. All transactions were at market value and were non-discretionary.
- (2) Grant of Nonstatutory Stock Option under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares vest at 25% annually from date of grant.
- (3) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock.
- Grant of Restricted Stock Unit (RSU) under the Company's 2005 Equity Incentive Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). RSUs vest at 25% annually from date of grant.
- (5) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning December 15, 2006. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person at the time of vesting.

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