MAGRUDER LOGAN

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1(b).

(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 12/30/2005 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 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature 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) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) **Following** (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Class A Common 500 D Stock Class A Held in V 24 (1) 829 (1) Common Ι 12/30/2005(1) 401(k) Stock 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. DenNumber 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	\$ 15.48					08/29/2004	08/29/2013	Class A Common Stock	40,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 19.94					12/05/2004	12/05/2013	Class A Common Stock	20,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 43.16					11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	35,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO	\$ 61.29					12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	25,000
Restricted Stock Units (RSU) (2)	\$ 0 (2)					(3)	(3)	Class A Common Stock	5,000

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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Kenneth A. Olson under Power of Attorney on file 01/03/2006

**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).
- (1) Between December 16, 2005 and December 30, 2005 the reporting person acquired 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) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock.
- (3) 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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