BERRY PETROLEUM CO Form 8-K February 08, 2008

### **UNITED STATES**

### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

### **CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 7, 2008

### BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

1-9735

DELAWARE (State or Other Jurisdiction

ner Jurisdiction (Commission File Number) of

77-0079387 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

Incorporation or Organization)

5201 TRUXTUN AVE., STE. 300, BAKERSFIELD,

93309

CA

(Zip Code)

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (661) 616-3900

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o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

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- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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### Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On February 7, 2008, Berry Petroleum Company (the "Company") issued a press release announcing certain operational results for the year ended December 31, 2007. A copy of the Company's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

The information furnished under Item 2.02 of this Current Report on Form 8-K and the exhibit attached hereto shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. It may only be incorporated by reference in another filing under the Exchange Act or Securities Act of 1933, as amended, if such subsequent filing specifically references this Form 8-K.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

### (d) Exhibits

99.1 - News Release by Berry Petroleum Company dated February 7, 2008, titled "Berry Petroleum Replaces 293% of 2007 Production and Increases Proved Reserves by 13% to 169 MMBOE" announcing the Registrant's proved reserves and related measures for the year ended December 31, 2007.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereto duly authorized.

### BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY

By: /s/ Kenneth A. Olson

Kenneth A. Olson Corporate Secretary

Date: February 7, 2008

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