BERRY PETROLEUM CO

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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

See Instruction

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

YOUNG MARTIN H JR Issuer Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY] (Check all applicable) (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title C/O BERRY PETROLEUM 03/31/2005 below) COMPANY, 5201 TRUXTUN 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 (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) Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership

> Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 10,000 D

Stock

Class 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)

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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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	ionof Derivative	6. Date Exercisab Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and Am Underlying Sect (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	A or N of Sl
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0 (1)	03/31/2005		A	473	08/08/1988(2)	08/08/1988(3)	Class A Common Stock	
Non-Statutory Stock Option (NSO) (4)	\$ 14.0625					12/02/1999	12/02/2009	Class A Common Stock	4
Non-Statutory Stock Option (NSO) (4)	\$ 15.69					12/02/2000	12/02/2010	Class A Common Stock	4
Non-Statutory Stock Option (NSO) (4)	\$ 15.45					12/02/2001	12/02/2011	Class A Common Stock	4
Non-Statutory Stock Option (NSO) (4)	\$ 16.14					12/02/2002	12/02/2012	Class A Common Stock	4
Non-Statutory Stock Option (NSO) (4)	\$ 19.22					12/02/2003	12/02/2013	Class A Common Stock	4
Non-Statutory Stock Option (NSO) (4)	\$ 43.54					12/02/2004	12/02/2014	Class A Common Stock	4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
YOUNG MARTIN H JR C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN AVE., SUITE 300 BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309	X					

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Signatures

Kenneth A. Olson under POA for Martin H. Young, Jr.

04/04/2005

**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).
- (1) 1 for 1
- (2) Phantom Stock Units acquired under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Stock and Compensation Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares are exercisable under the terms of the Plan upon resignation from the Board.
- (3) Phantom Stock Units acquired under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Stock and Compensation Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares expire under the terms of the Plan upon resignation from the Board.
- (4) NSO Right to buy Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock

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