BERRY PETROLEUM CO

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wolf David D			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
1999 BROAI	DWAY, SU	ITE 3700	(Month/Day/Year) 09/29/2008	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Exec VP and CFO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
DENVER, C	CO 80202			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner		

(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
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1.Title of	2. Transaction Date	2A. Deemed	3.	4. Securities Acquired	5. Amount of	6. Ownership	7. Nature of
Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	on(A) or Disposed of	Securities	Form: Direct	Indirect
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	(D)	Beneficially	(D) or	Beneficial
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
					Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					Reported		
				(A)	Transaction(s)		
				or	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
			Code V	Amount (D) Price	()		
Class A				ф			
Common	09/29/2008		P	5,300 A \$ 38.5	5 300	D	
	07/27/2000			38.5	5,500	D	
Stock							

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)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)			7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
RSU 8-4-08 (1)	\$ 0					08/04/2011(2)	08/03/2018(3)	Class A Common Stock	30,355
NSO	\$ 41.18					08/04/2011	08/03/2018	Class A Common Stock	89,084

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships				
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other	

Wolf David D

1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700 Exec VP and CFO

DENVER, CO 80202

Signatures

Kenneth A. Olson under POA for David D. Wolf 09/30/2008

**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) The RSU is subject to a deferral election. Shares of Class A Common Stock will be delivered to the reporting person as per the terms of the deferral election.
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