

BUSH WILLIAM E JR  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
**BUSH WILLIAM E JR**

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY, 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]**

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
 03/15/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 \_\_\_ Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)			
			Code	V	Amount	(D)	Price
Class A Common Stock					800	I	As Custodian for minor grandchildren
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011		M		4,200	A	\$ 30.645
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011		S		200	D	\$ 47.355
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011		S		499	D	\$ 47.362

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Common Stock							
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011	S	100	D	\$ 47.37	177,397	D
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011	S	800	D	\$ 47.3706	176,597	D
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011	S	600	D	\$ 47.4017	175,997	D
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011	S	101	D	\$ 47.4098	175,896	D
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011	S	1,500	D	\$ 47.4207	174,396	D
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011	S	200	D	\$ 47.425	174,196	D
Class A Common Stock	03/15/2011	S	200	D	\$ 47.45	173,996	D

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. Number 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Nonstatutory Stock Option	\$ 32.565					Date Exercisable: 12/15/2006 Expiration Date: 12/14/2016	Class A Common

