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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 *
 Canaday Shawn Michael

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY, 5201 TRUXTUN AVE., SUITE 300

(Street)

BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 04/20/2009

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)
 Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2009		M ⁽¹⁷⁾	2,400 A \$ 14.975	3,422	D	
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2009		J ⁽¹⁸⁾	19 ⁽¹⁹⁾ A \$ 0	1,098	I	Held in the Company's 401(k) Plan
Class A Common Stock	04/20/2009		F ⁽²¹⁾	746 D \$ 14.975	2,676	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 (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)			
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-05-03	\$ 9.97					12/05/2004		12/05/2013		Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05	\$ 30.645					12/15/2006		12/15/2015		Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option 11-23-04	\$ 21.58					11/23/2005		11/23/2014		Class A Common Stock
2005 Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)					12/15/2006(3)		12/14/2015(4)		Class A Common Stock
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$ 32.565					12/15/2007		12/14/2016		Class A Common Stock
2006 Restricted Stock Units (5)	\$ 0 (6)					12/15/2007(7)		12/14/2016(8)		Class A Common Stock
2007 Restricted Stock Unit (9)	\$ 0 (10)					12/14/2008(11)		12/13/2017(12)		Class A Common Stock
NSO 2007	\$ 43.61					12/14/2008		12/13/2017		Class A Common Stock
	\$ 0 (14)					12/12/2009(15)		12/11/2018(16)		

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- (15) The RSU granted vest 25% per year beginning one year after grant but the receipt of shares are subject to a deferral period which is generally at least four years from grant date as per the deferral election.
- (16) 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.
- (17) Vested shares issued pursuant to Rule 16b-3 plan.
- (18) Shares of Common Stock acquired by the reporting person in the Company's 401(k) Plan. All transactions were at market and were non-discretionary.
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- (20) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- (21) Shares withheld incident to vesting of RSUs for the payment of tax liability issued in accordance with Rule 16b-3.

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