BERRY PETROLEUM CO

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading **DUGINSKI MICHAEL** Issuer Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify C/O BERRY PETROLEUM 12/16/2013 below) COMPANY, 1999 BROADWAY, Exec. VP & COO **SUITE 3700** (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 DENVER, CO 80202 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V (D) Price Amount Class A 43,447 D Common 12/16/2013 D \$0 0 D (2) Stock Class A Held in 17,456 D Common \$0 Ι 401(k) 12/16/2013 D 0 (2) Stock Plan

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)	Transaction Code S (Instr. 8) A o	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 Amou Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am or Nur of S
Perf Based RSU 3-2-2011	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	4,832 (1)	12/31/2013	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	11
Perf Based RSUs 3-2-12	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	4,420 (1)	12/31/2014	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	10
2007 Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	7,224 (3)	12/14/2008	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	7,
2008 Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	56,000 (3)	12/12/2009	12/11/2018	Class A Common Stock	56
2009 Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	42,919 (3)	12/11/2010	12/11/2019	Class A Common Stock	42
March 2, 2012 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	8,842 (3)	03/02/2013	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	8,
March 2011 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	12,887 (3)	03/02/2012	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	12
March 4, 2013 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	27,145 (3)	03/04/2014	03/04/2023	Class A Common Stock	27
Non Statutory Stock Option 3-2-12	\$ 53.02	12/16/2013		D	13,914 (4)	03/02/2013	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	13
Non-Statutory Stock Option 3-2-2011 - \$48.50	\$ 48.5	12/16/2013		D	14,790 (4)	03/02/2012	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	14

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Nonstatutory Stock Option 11-23-04	\$ 21.58	12/16/2013	D	70,000 (4)	11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	70
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05	\$ 30.645	12/16/2013	D	50,000 (4)	12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	50
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$ 32.565	12/16/2013	D	56,000 (4)	12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	56
NSO 2007	\$ 43.61	12/16/2013	D	36,133 (4)	12/14/2008	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	36
Perf Based RSU 3-2-2011	\$ 0	12/16/2013	D	6,443 (5)	12/31/2013	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	11
Perf Based RSUs 3-2-12	\$ 0	12/16/2013	D	5,894 (5)	12/31/2014	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	10

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DUGINSKI MICHAEL C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700 DENVER, CO 80202

Exec. VP & COO

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Michael Duginski

12/20/2013

**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) Performance Shares in excess of Target cancelled under the terms of Merger Agreement with Linn Energy at close.
- Disposed of pursuant to the merger (the "Merger") of Berry Petroleum Company ("Berry") with LinnCo, LLC ("LinnCo") in a stock-for-stock merger, which was completed on December 16, 2013. Following the transaction Berry is an indirect wholly-owned subsidiary of Linn Energy, LLC. Pursuant to the Merger agreement each share of Berry Common Stock was exchanged for 1.68 shares of LinnCo common shares.
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- (4) Disposed of pursuant to the merger (the "Merger") of Berry Petroleum Company ("Berry") with LinnCo, LLC ("LinnCo") in a stock-for-stock merger, which was completed on December 16, 2013. Following the transaction Berry is an indirect wholly-owned

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subsidiary of Linn Energy, LLC. Pursuant to the Merger agreement each option to purchase Berry shares was exchanged for 1.682115 options to puchase LINN Units on the same terms and conditions as were applicable to Berry shares prior to the Merger.

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