

BERRY PETROLEUM CO  
 Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Å Kelso Bruce S  
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

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

(Street)

BAKERSFIELD, Å CA Å 93309

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)  
 10/03/2005

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

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer  Other  
 (give title below) (specify below)  
 Vice President of Rocky Mtn

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

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 Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)

CLASS A COMMON STOCK

2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)

221 <sup>(1)</sup>

3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)

I

4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

Held in 401(k) 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 Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)

3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)

4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative

5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:

6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)

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|  | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title                | Amount or Number of Shares | Security | Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) |   |
|--|------------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|---|
| Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO | 08/23/2004       | 08/23/2013      | Class A Common Stock | 5,000                      | \$ 17.9  | D                                     | Â |
| Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO | 12/05/2004       | 12/05/2013      | Class A Common Stock | 1,500                      | \$ 19.94 | D                                     | Â |
| Nonstatutory Stock Option (Right to Buy) NSO | 11/23/2005       | 11/23/2014      | Class A Common Stock | 15,000                     | \$ 43.16 | D                                     | Â |

## Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address  | Relationships |           |                               |       |
|---|---------------|-----------|-------------------------------|-------|
|   | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                       | Other |
| Kelso Bruce S<br>C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY<br>5201 TRUXTUN AVE., SUITE 300<br>BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309 | Â             | Â         | Â Vice President of Rocky Mtn | Â     |

## Signatures

Kenneth A. Olson under POA for Bruce S. Kelso  
 Signature of Reporting Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 10/12/2005

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Holdings of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock on date designated as a reporting officer of Berry Petroleum Company.  
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