HEINEMANN ROBERT

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	ddress of Reporting F NN ROBERT	Symbol	Name and Ticker or Trading PETROLEUM CO [BRY]	5. Relationship	, ,	.,
(Last) C/O BERRY	(First) (M	3. Date of (Month/D 09/28/20	•	Director Officer (gives		% Owner her (specify
COMPANY SUITE 3700	, 1999 BROADW)	VAY,		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	esident and CEC)
	(Street)		ndment, Date Original th/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by	•	
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(City)	(State)	Zip) Table	e I - Non-Derivative Securities A	cquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class A Common Stock				227,125	D	
Class A Common Stock				14,243	I	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 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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber 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 Nui Sha
Nonstatutory Stock Option 11-23-04	\$ 21.58					11/23/2005	11/23/2014	Class A Common Stock	10
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05	\$ 30.645					12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	15
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$ 32.565					12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	17
2007 Restricted Stock Unit (1)	\$ 0 (2)					12/14/2008(3)	12/13/2017(4)	Class A Common Stock	23
NSO 2007	\$ 43.61					12/14/2008	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	89
2008 Restricted Stock Units (1)	\$ 0 (2)					12/12/2009(3)	12/11/2018(4)	Class A Common Stock	17
2009 Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0					12/11/2010	12/11/2019	Class A Common Stock	97
Perf Based RSUs 3-16-10	\$ 0 (5)					12/31/2012(5)	12/31/2012	Class A Common Stock	42
March 2011 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0					03/02/2012	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	21
Non-Statutory Stock Option	\$ 48.5					03/02/2012	03/02/2021	Class A Common	33

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3-2-2011 - \$48.50							Stock	
Perf Based RSU 3-2-2011	\$ 0				12/31/2013	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	25
Perf Based RSUs 3-2-12	\$ 0				12/31/2014	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	23
March 2, 2012 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0				03/02/2013	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	26
Non Statutory Stock Option 3-2-12	\$ 53.02				03/02/2013	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	31
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	09/28/2012	A	6 (7)	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Class A Common Stock	3

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

HEINEMANN ROBERT C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700 DENVER, CO 80202

President and CEO

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for Robert Heinemann

09/28/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock
- (3) 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.
- (4) 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.
- (5) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Berry Petroleum Company Class A Common Stock if certain pre-established performance factors, as set forth in the Company's Form 8-K dated March 18, 2010, are met.
- (6) Per the Agreement this is the maximum number of performance based RSUs that may be received if all performance factors are achieved as outlined in the Form 8-K dated March 18, 2010.

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(7) Phantom Stock Units acquired under the Company's Non-Employee Director Deferred Compensation Plan in a transaction exempt under Rule 16b-3(c). Shares of Common Stock are issued under terms of the Plan upon resignation from the board of directors.

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