

BERRY PETROLEUM CO
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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 *
CRAWFORD GEORGE T

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY, 5201 TRUXTUN AVE.

(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)
12/16/2013

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)
Snr VP of CA Production

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount (D) or Price (A)		
Class A Common Stock	12/16/2013		D		10,901 (1)	D	
Class A Common Stock	12/16/2013		D		4,509 (1)	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. 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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
2007 Restricted Stock Unit	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	2,856 (2)	12/14/2008	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	2,
2008 Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	21,334 (2)	12/12/2009	12/11/2018	Class A Common Stock	21
2009 Restricted Stock Units	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	19,594 (2)	12/11/2010	12/11/2019	Class A Common Stock	19
March 2, 2012 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	4,422 (2)	03/02/2013	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	4,
March 2011 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	6,444 (2)	03/02/2012	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	6,
March 4, 2013 Employee RSU Grant	\$ 0	12/16/2013		D	14,116 (2)	03/04/2014	03/04/2023	Class A Common Stock	14
Non Statutory Stock Option 3-2-12	\$ 53.02	12/16/2013		D	6,957 (3)	03/02/2013	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	6,
Non-Statutory Stock Option 3-2-2011 - \$48.50	\$ 48.5	12/16/2013		D	7,395 (3)	03/02/2012	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	7,
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-05	\$ 30.645	12/16/2013		D	20,000 (3)	12/15/2006	12/15/2015	Class A Common Stock	20
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$ 32.565	12/16/2013		D	20,000 (3)	12/15/2007	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	20
NSO 2007	\$ 43.61	12/16/2013		D		12/14/2008	12/13/2017		14

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				14,279				Class A Common Stock
				<u>(3)</u>				
Perf Based RSU 3-2-2011	\$ 0	12/16/2013	M	2,416	12/31/2013	03/02/2021		Class A Common Stock
				<u>(4)</u>				5,
Perf Based RSUs 3-2-12	\$ 0	12/16/2013	M	2,210	12/31/2014	03/02/2022		Class A Common Stock
				<u>(4)</u>				5,
Perf Based RSU 3-2-2011	\$ 0	12/16/2013	D	3,221	12/31/2013	03/02/2021		Class A Common Stock
				<u>(5)</u>				5,
Perf Based RSUs 3-2-12	\$ 0	12/16/2013	D	2,947	12/31/2014	03/02/2022		Class A Common Stock
				<u>(5)</u>				5,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
CRAWFORD GEORGE T C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 5201 TRUXTUN AVE. BAKERSFIELD, CA 93309			Snr VP of CA Production	

Signatures

Kenneth A Olson under POA for George Crawford	12/20/2013
<u> </u> **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) 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) Performance Shares in excess of Target cancelled under the terms of Merger Agreement with Linn Energy at close.
 - (5)

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