BERRY PETROLEUM CO

Form 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Reddin Michael

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700

12/16/2013

below) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

DENVER, CO 80202

Security

(Instr. 3)

(City) (State) (Zip) 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Code (Month/Day/Year)

4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

> (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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 3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed 5. Number of 6. Date Exercisable and 7. Title and Amou 4 Derivative Conversion (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if **TransactionDerivative Expiration Date** Underlying Securi Security or Exercise Code Securities (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3 and 4) (Instr. 3) Price of (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or

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| | Derivative Security | | | | Disposed (Instr. 3, 5) | | | | | |
|---|------------------------|------------|----|------|------------------------|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| | | | Co | de V | / (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amo or Nun of Shar |
| RSU 12-16-2013 | \$ 0 | 12/16/2013 | Ν | 1 | 2,479 (1) | | 12/16/2013 | 12/31/2013 | Class A Common Stock | 2,4 |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 | 12/16/2013 | A | | 514 (2) | | 08/08/1988 | 08/08/1988 | Class A Common Stock | 4,4 |
| March 2 2012 Director RSU Grant | \$ 0 | 12/16/2013 | Ι |) | | 2,231 (3) | 03/02/2012 | 03/02/2022 | Class A Common Stock | 2,2 |
| March 2011 Director RSU | \$ 0 | 12/16/2013 | I |) | | 2,499 (3) | 03/02/2012 | 03/02/2021 | Class A Common Stock | 2,4 |
| March 4, 2013 Director RSU Grant | \$ 0 | 12/16/2013 | I |) | | 2,629 (3) | 03/04/2013 | 03/04/2023 | Class A Common Stock | 2,6 |
| Phantom Stock Units | \$ 0 | 12/16/2013 | I |) | | 5,308 (4) | 08/08/1988 | 08/08/1988 | Class A Common Stock | 4,4 |
| RSU 12-16-2013 | \$ 0 | 12/16/2013 | I |) | | 2,479 (3) | 12/16/2013 | 12/31/2013 | Class A Common Stock | 2,4 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------|--|--|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | |

Reddin Michael 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700 DENVER, CO 80202

Signatures

Kenneth A. Olson under POA for Michael Reddin 12/19/2013

**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) RSU Grant awarded to Board of Directors at completion of Merger pursuant to Board action as disclosed in the Merger Proxy materials.
- (2) 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.
- 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 RSU was exchanged for 1.68 shares of LinnCo common shares.
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