Keller John Frank Form 4 September 28, 2012

#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

Keller John Frank

Stock

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*

Symbol BERRY PETROLEUM CO [BRY] (Check all applicable) (Middle) (Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title C/O BERRY PETROLEUM 09/28/2012 below) COMPANY, 1999 BROADWAY, **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** (State) (Zip) (City) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership **Following** (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Class A Common 2,519 D

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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivativ 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Nonstatutory Stock Option 38.0025	\$ 38.0025					02/02/2006	02/01/2016	Class A Common Stock	10,000
Nonstatutory Stock Option 12-15-06	\$ 32.565					12/15/2006	12/14/2016	Class A Common Stock	10,000
NSO 2007	\$ 43.61					12/14/2007	12/13/2017	Class A Common Stock	3,956
March 2011 Director RSU	\$ 0 (2)					03/02/2011(3)	03/02/2021	Class A Common Stock	2,499
March 2 2012 Director RSU Grant	\$ 0					03/02/2012	03/02/2022	Class A Common Stock	2,231
Phantom Stock Units	\$ 0	09/28/2012		A	56 (4)	08/08/1988	08/08/1988	Class A Common Stock	23,710

# **Reporting Owners**

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

Keller John Frank C/O BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY 1999 BROADWAY, SUITE 3700 DENVER, CO 80202

## **Signatures**

Kenneth A Olson under POA for John

Keller 09/28/2012

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\*\*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)** 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 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.
- (4) 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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