

BERRY PETROLEUM CO
Form 8-K
July 25, 2008

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 25, 2008

BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

DELAWARE
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of
Incorporation or
Organization)

1-9735
(Commission File Number)

77-0079387
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

5201 TRUXTUN AVE., STE. 300, BAKERSFIELD,
CA
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

93309
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (661) 616-3900

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On July 25, 2008, Berry Petroleum Company issued a news release announcing its financial and operational results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2008. These results are discussed in the news release attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1, which is incorporated by reference in its entirety.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 - News Release by Berry Petroleum Company dated July 25, 2008, titled "Berry Petroleum Earns \$1.08 Per Share in Second Quarter 2008" announcing the Registrant's results for the second quarter ended June 30, 2008.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereto duly authorized.

BERRY PETROLEUM COMPANY

By: /s/ Kenneth A. Olson
Kenneth A. Olson
Corporate Secretary

Date: July 25, 2008