

FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER & GOLD INC

Form 4

May 15, 2007

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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1(b).**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**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

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ADKERSON RICHARD C

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1615 POYDRAS STREET

(Street)

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading
SymbolFREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER
& GOLD INC [FCX]3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

05/11/2007

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)

Chief Executive Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
☒ Form filed by One Reporting Person
☐ Form filed by More than One Reporting
Person**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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)			
			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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(9-02)**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Am Num Shar
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 72.92	05/11/2007		A ⁽¹⁾	1,500,000				05/11/2008 ⁽²⁾	05/11/2017	Common Stock	1,5

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ADKERSON RICHARD C 1615 POYDRAS STREET NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112	X		Chief Executive Officer	

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux, on behalf of Richard C. Adkerson pursuant to a power of attorney 05/15/2007

 **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).
- This grant is pursuant to the Issuer's policy to grant stock options to its executive officers every three years. The Issuer, however, has
- (1) elected to accelerate the executive officer grants by approximately nine months in consideration of the acquisition of Phelps Dodge Corporation earlier this year.
 - (2) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.

Remarks:

Following the reported transaction, the Reporting Person's direct beneficial ownership includes options to acquire a total of 2,2
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