RANKIN B M JR Form 4/A January 05, 2010

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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SECURITIES

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

RANKIN B M JR Symbol FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER (Check all applicable) & GOLD INC [FCX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 300 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 06/01/2009

875

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

06/03/2009 DALLAS, TX 75201

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 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) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

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

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common $22,000 \stackrel{(1)}{=} \stackrel{(2)}{=}$ D Stock

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
· r	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
RANKIN B M JR								
300 CRESCENT COURT SUITE 875	X							
DALLAS, TX 75201								

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux on behalf of B. M. Rankin, Jr. pursuant to a power of attorney

01/05/2010

**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) Amount beneficially owned includes 3,000 Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.

This amendment to the Form 4 is being filed to remove the reported grant of 2,000 Common Stock Restricted Stock Units (RSUs) purported to be made on June 1, 2009 under the Issuer's 2004 Director Compensation Plan. There were insufficient shares remaining available under the plan to satisfy these grants as of June 1, 2009, thus the grants did not occur. On December 8, 2009, the Issuer's Board of Directors approved the grant of 2,000 Common Stock Restricted Stock Units to each non-management director under the Issuer's omnibus stock incentive plan, which grants are subject to stockholder approval of amendments to that plan at the Issuer's 2010 annual meeting.

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