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

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

			Symbol FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER & GOLD INC [FCX]				PPER	(Check all applicable)			
(Mont			(Month/I	B. Date of Earliest Transaction Month/Day/Year) 08/03/2006				Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)			
				mendment, Date Original Month/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tab	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secu	rities Acqı	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Year	r) Executio any	med n Date, if Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3,	ispose	d of (D)	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)	
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2006			M	2,500	A	\$ 15.195	8,921	D		
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2006			M	2,500	A	\$ 26.975	11,421	D		
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2006			M	1,639	A	\$ 15.195	13,060	D		
Class B Common	08/03/2006			M	1,639	A	\$ 26.975	14,699	D		

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Stock						
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2006	S	5,000	D	\$ 55.31 9,699	D
Class B Common Stock (5)	08/03/2006	D	3,278	D	\$ 55.78 6,421	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)

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amou Underlying Securi (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Nun of Shar
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.195	08/03/2006		M	2,500	08/01/2003(1)	08/01/2012	Class B Common Stock	2,5
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 26.975	08/03/2006		M	2,500	08/01/2004(2)	08/01/2013	Class B Common Stock	2,5
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 26.975	08/03/2006		M	1,639	08/01/2004(3)	08/01/2013	Class B Common Stock	1,0
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 15.195	08/03/2006		M	1,639	08/01/2003(4)	08/01/2012	Class B Common Stock	1,0

Reporting Owners

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

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LACKEY BOBBY LEE 7315 SANDS TERRACE LANE SPRING, TX 77389

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux on behalf of Bobby Lee Lackey pursuant to a power of attorney

08/07/2006

**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) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (2) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (3) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (4) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (5) Amount beneficially owned following the reported transactions includes 4,500 Class B Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.

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