

ADKERSON RICHARD C
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

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

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER & GOLD INC [FCX]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1615 POYDRAS STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/01/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 ____ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
 President & CEO

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class B Common Stock					8,777	I	IRA
Class B Common Stock					2,310	I	401(k) Plan ⁽¹⁾
Class B Common Stock ⁽⁴⁾	02/01/2005		A		107,134	A	\$ 0 765,412 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of 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 Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)				
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount
Options (Right to Buy) ⁽²⁾	\$ 37.04	02/01/2005		A	1,000,000	02/01/2006 ⁽³⁾	02/01/2015			Class B Common Stock	1,000,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ADKERSON RICHARD C 1615 POYDRAS STREET NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112			President & CEO	

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux, on behalf of Richard C. Adkerson pursuant to a power of attorney 02/03/2005

__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) Based on plan statement as of December 31, 2004.
- (2) The Reporting Person received this grant in accordance with the Issuers practice of granting stock options to executive officers every three years.
- (3) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (4) The Reporting Persons Class B Common Stock holdings include 300,366 Class B Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.

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