

WHARTON J TAYLOR
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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 *
WHARTON J TAYLOR

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)
1515 HOLCOMBE BLVD., ROOM R2.2551
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/02/2006

____ Director
____ Officer (give title below)
____ 10% Owner
____ Other (specify below)

HOUSTON, TX 77030

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Price		
Class B Common Stock					420	I	By IRA for Self
Class B Common Stock					26,937	I	By Spouse
Class B Common Stock					160	I	By IRA for Spouse
Class B					2,889	I	As

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Common Stock								Custodian for Daughter
Class B Common Stock						2,200	I	As Custodian of Daughter
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	M	10,000	A	\$ 9.0938	24,628	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	M	10,000	A	\$ 11.165	34,628	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	M	7,500	A	\$ 15.195	42,128	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	M	4,917	A	\$ 15.195	47,045	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	M	6,556	A	\$ 11.165	53,601	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	M	6,556	A	\$ 9.0938	60,157	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	9,500	D	\$ 64.5	50,657	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	1,600	D	\$ 64.49	49,057	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 64.48	47,957	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	500	D	\$ 64.47	47,457	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 64.46	46,357	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	200	D	\$ 64.45	46,157	D	
	02/02/2006	S	100	D	\$ 64.44	46,057	D	

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Class B Common Stock							
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	1,000	D	\$ 64.43	45,057	D
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	300	D	\$ 64.42	44,757	D
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	500	D	\$ 64.4	44,257	D
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	100	D	\$ 64.39	44,157	D
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	100	D	\$ 64.37	44,057	D
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	1,000	D	\$ 64.31	43,057	D
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	100	D	\$ 64.19	42,957	D
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	5,100	D	\$ 64.18	37,857	D
Class B Common Stock	02/02/2006	S	5,200	D	\$ 64.1	32,657	D
Class B Common Stock ⁽⁷⁾	02/02/2006	D	18,029	D	\$ 63.26	14,628	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	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 of 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	Amount or Number of
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 9.0938	02/02/2006			M		10,000		08/01/2001 ⁽¹⁾	08/01/2010	Class B Common Stock	10
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 11.165	02/02/2006			M		10,000		08/01/2002 ⁽²⁾	08/01/2011	Class B Common Stock	10
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 15.195	02/02/2006			M		7,500		08/01/2003 ⁽³⁾	08/01/2012	Class B Common Stock	7
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 15.195	02/02/2006			M		4,917		08/01/2003 ⁽⁴⁾	08/01/2012	Class B Common Stock	4
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 11.165	02/02/2006			M		6,556		08/01/2002 ⁽⁵⁾	08/01/2011	Class B Common Stock	6
Stock Appreciation Rights	\$ 9.0938	02/02/2006			M		6,556		08/01/2001 ⁽⁶⁾	08/01/2010	Class B Common Stock	6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WHARTON J TAYLOR 1515 HOLCOMBE BLVD., ROOM R2.2551 HOUSTON, TX 77030				

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux, on behalf of J. Taylor Wharton, pursuant to a power of attorney 02/03/2006

**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.

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- (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) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (6) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (7) Amount beneficially owned following the reported transactions includes 3,500 Class B Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.

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