ADKERSON RICHARD C

Form 4

February 04, 2005

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(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	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/03/2005	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) President & CEO		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(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		
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112		Person		

(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. Securition(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	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					()		8,777	I	IRA	
Class B Common Stock							2,310	I	401(k) Plan (1)	
Class B Common Stock (2)	02/03/2005		F(3)	24,067	D	\$ 37.2	741,345	D		
Class B Common	02/04/2005		F(5)	3,755	D	\$ 37.14	737,590	D		

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Stock (4)

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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. Transac Code (Instr. 8	etion 3)	5. aNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amor Unde Secur	le and ant of rlying ities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
				Code	V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	1	Keiationsnips	

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

02/04/2005

**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.
- Following the reported transaction, the Reporting Persons Class B Common Stock holdings include 242,022 Class B Common Stock **(2)** Restricted Stock Units.
- Shares withheld to cover the taxes due upon the vesting of 58,344 Class B Common Stock Restricted Stock Units, which resulted in an **(3)** overall increase in the Reporting Persons Class B Common Stock direct holdings to 499,323 shares.

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- (4) Following the reported transaction, the Reporting Persons Class B Common Stock holdings include 232,921 Class B Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.
- (5) Shares withheld to cover the taxes due upon the vesting of 9,101 Class B Common Stock Restricted Stock Units, which resulted in an overall increase in the Reporting Persons Class B Common Stock direct holdings to 504,669 shares.

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