#### ADKERSON RICHARD C

Form 4

February 25, 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 <b>and</b> 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) 02/25/2005	Director 10% Owner Selection Other (specify below)  President and 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			
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112		Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securit	ies Acqui	red, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)  (A) or				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	02/25/2005		Code V  M	Amount 250,000	(D)	Price \$ 35.5	937,590	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/25/2005		F(5)	231,078	D	\$ 40.75	706,512	D	
Class B Common Stock	02/25/2005		S	58,175	D	\$ 41	648,337 (1)	D	
Class B Common							8,777	I	By IRA

Stock

Class B Common Stock

2,310 (2) I By 401(k) plan

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 of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Derivative Expiration Date ecurities (Month/Day/Year) acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) Instr. 3, 4, and		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Number Shares
Options (Right to Buy) (3)	\$ 35.5	02/25/2005		M		250,000	05/14/1997(4)	05/14/2006	Class B Common Stock	250,0

#### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ADKERSON RICHARD C 1615 POYDRAS STREET NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112

President and CEO

### **Signatures**

Kelly C. Simoneaux, on behalf of Richard C. Adkerson pursuant to a power of attorney

02/25/2005

Date

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

## **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).
  - Following the reported transactions, the Reporting Person's direct beneficial ownership includes 232,921 Class B Common Stock
- (1) Restricted Stock Units. The Reporting Person also holds options to acquire a total of 2,049,307 shares of Class B Common Stock, 849,479 of which are vested and 1,199,828 of which are unvested.
- (2) Based on plan statement as of December 31, 2004.

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- (3) Options with limited stock appreciation rights.
- (4) 20% exercisable on the date indicated and 20% exercisable on each of the next four anniversies thereof.
- (5) Shares withheld and delivered in payment of the exercise price of options and resulting taxes.

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