ADKERSON RICHARD C

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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) ONE NORT	(First) (I	Middle) VENUE	3. Date of (Month/E) 01/01/2	•	ansaction			_X_ Director _X_ Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify	
PHOENIX,	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					
(City)		(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative (Securi	ties Acq	Person uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	e 2A. Deen Execution any (Month/E	n Date, if	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit n(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)	
Common Stock	01/01/2010			F <u>(1)</u>	15,233	D	\$ 80.29	1,302,426	D		
Common Stock								1,915 (2)	I	By 401(k) Plan	
Common Stock								8,248	I	By IRA	

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. Tit	le of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	e and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Deriv	ative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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							Date	Expiration		Or		
							Exercisable	Date		Number of		
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					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
.	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
ADKERSON RICHARD C								
ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE	X		President and CEO					
PHOFNIX A7 85004								

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux, on behalf of Richard C. Adkerson pursuant to a power of attorney 01/05/2010

**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) Shares withheld to cover taxes due upon the vesting of 40,000 Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.
- (2) Based on plan statement as of September 30, 2009.

Remarks:

Following the reported transaction, Mr. Adkerson's direct beneficial ownership includes 709,156 shares of common stock and Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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