ROY J STAPLETON

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

Stock (1)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person ** ROY J STAPLETON	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) 350 PARK AVENUE, 26TH FLOOR	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/01/2005	Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify below) Advisory Director			
(Street) NEW YORK, NY 10022	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 Person			
(City) (State) (Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Ac	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned			
(Instr. 3) any	emed 3. 4. Securities Acquired on Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) /Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (A) or Code V Amount (D) Price	Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial Owned (D) or Ownership Following Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Reported (Instr. 4) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common 01/01/2005	A 130 A \$ 20.20	₅ 13,906 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)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)			ate	7. Title Amoun Under	int of lying ities	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene
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					of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						(Instr
					4, and 3)				Amount		
						Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Number of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

ROY J STAPLETON 350 PARK AVENUE, 26TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10022

Advisory Director

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux, on behalf of J. Stapleton Roy, pursuant to a power of attorney

01/04/2005

**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) Amount beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes 2,000 Class B Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.

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