RANKIN B M JR

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading RANKIN B M JR Issuer Symbol FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER (Check all applicable) & GOLD INC [FCX] Director (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 300 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 06/01/2009 875 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting DALLAS, TX 75201 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 5. Amount of 1. Title of 3. 4. Securities 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Ownership Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially Form: Direct Beneficial (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned (Month/Day/Year) (D) or Ownership Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) Following Reported (Instr. 4) (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price By Rankin Common 500,000 Ι Interests Ltd. Stock Partnership Common 06/01/2009 2,000 D Α A \$0 24,000 Stock (1)

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year		7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securities
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Share
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 58.12	06/01/2009		A	10,000	06/01/2010(2)	06/01/2019	Common Stock	10,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

RANKIN B M JR 300 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE 875 DALLAS, TX 75201

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux on behalf of B M Rankin, Jr. pursuant to a power of attorney

06/03/2009

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).
- (1) Amount beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes 5,000 Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.
- (2) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.

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