FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER & GOLD INC Form 8-K April 19, 2005

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 19, 2005

FREEPORT-McMoRan COPPER & GOLD INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-9916	74-2480931
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification Number)

1615 Poydras Street New Orleans, Louisiana (Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (504) 582-4000

70112

(Zip Code)

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Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. (FCX) issued a press release dated April 19, 2005, announcing its first-quarter 2005 results (see exhibit 99.1) and presented slides on its web site that accompanied its April 19, 2005, earnings conference call (see exhibit 99.2).

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

The Exhibits included as part of this Current Report are listed in the attached Exhibit Index.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FREEPORT-McMoRan COPPER & GOLD INC.

By: \s\ C. Donald Whitmire, Jr.

C. Donald Whitmire, Jr. Vice President and Controller -Financial Reporting (authorized signatory and Principal Accounting Officer)

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Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. Exhibit Index

Exhibit <u>Number</u>

- 99.1 Press release dated April 19, 2005, titled "Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. Reports First-Quarter 2005 Results."
- <u>99.2</u> Slides presented in conjunction with April 19, 2005, FCX first-quarter 2005 earnings conference call conducted via the internet.