ADKERSON RICHARD C

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading ADKERSON RICHARD C Issuer Symbol FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER (Check all applicable) & GOLD INC [FCX] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 1615 POYDRAS STREET 10/25/2005 President and CEO (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

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-	Derivative S	Securi	ties Acquir	ed, Disposed of,	or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) ctionor Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownersh Beneficially Form: Owned Direct (I Following or Indire Reported (I) Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005		Code V M	Amount 290,625	(D)	Price \$ 14.77	941,760	D	
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005		F(1)	171,471	D	\$ 48.885	770,289	D	
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005		S	3,000	D	\$ 49.02	767,289	D	
Class B Common	10/25/2005		S	200	D	\$ 49.01	767,089	D	

Stock							
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	800	D	\$ 48.99	766,289	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	400	D	\$ 48.97	765,889	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	100	D	\$ 48.96	765,789	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	300	D	\$ 48.95	765,489	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	100	D	\$ 48.94	765,389	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	1,200	D	\$ 48.93	764,189	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	100	D	\$ 48.9	764,089	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	25,000	D	\$ 48.89	739,089	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	3,800	D	\$ 48.88	735,289	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	8,500	D	\$ 48.87	726,789	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	700	D	\$ 48.86	726,089	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	10,000	D	\$ 48.85	716,089	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	7,100	D	\$ 48.84	708,989	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	8,700	D	\$ 48.83	700,289	D

Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	1,900	D	\$ 48.82	698,389	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	1,500	D	\$ 48.81	696,889	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	6,200	D	\$ 48.8	690,689	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	1,100	D	\$ 48.79	689,589	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	2,300	D	\$ 48.78	687,289	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	1,800	D	\$ 48.77	685,489	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	2,600	D	\$ 48.76	682,889	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	5,900	D	\$ 48.75	676,989	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	12,700	D	\$ 48.74	664,289	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	9,500	D	\$ 48.73	654,789	D
Class B Common Stock	10/25/2005	S	3,100	D	\$ 48.72	651,689	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)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and
Derivative Security	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transaction	Derivative	Expiration Date
(Instr. 3)	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)

7. Titl Under (Instr.

(Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8)

Acquired (A) or

Disposed of (D)

	Security				(Insta	r. 3, 4, and			
			Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
Options (right to buy)	\$ 14.77	10/25/2005	M			290,625	01/29/2003(2)	01/29/2012	Clas Com Sto
Forward Sale Contract (right/obligation to sell)	(3) (4) (5)	10/26/2005	J(3)(4)(5)		1		(3)	(3)	Clas Com Sto

Reporting Owners

Price of

Derivative

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ADKERSON RICHARD C							
1615 POYDRAS STREET			President and CEO				
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112							

Signatures

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

**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 and delivered in payment of the exercise price of options and resulting taxes.
- (2) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- On October 26, 2005, the Reporting Person entered into a forward sale contract with a securities broker pursuant to which the Reporting Person agreed to sell up to 119,265 shares of Class B Common Stock to the securities broker for \$49.927 per share on May 6, 2011 (the "Maturity Date"), with the exact number of shares to be delivered on the Maturity Date determined as set forth below: (continued in footnote 4)
 - If the closing price of a share of Class B Common Stock on the Maturity Date is less than \$37.45, the Reporting Person will deliver 119,265 shares; if the closing price of a share of Class B Common Stock on the Maturity Date is greater than \$37.45, but less then \$70.15, the Reporting Person will deliver the number of shares resulting from multiplying 119,265 by a fraction, the numerator of which is \$37.45
- (4) and the denominator of which is the closing price on the Maturity Date; and if the closing price on the Maturity Date is greater than \$70.15, the Reporting Person will deliver the number of shares resulting from multiplying 119,265 by a fraction, the numerator of which is \$37.45 plus (the closing price on the Maturity Date minus \$70.15) and the denominator of which is the closing price on the Maturity Date.(continued in footnote 5)
- The Reporting Person may instead elect to settle this contract in cash and retain ownership of the 119,265 shares. The Reporting Person will pledge 119,265 shares of Class B Common Stock to secure his obligations under the contract. The Reporting Person will continue to hold beneficial ownership, and have voting rights and the right to receive quarterly dividend payments of \$.25 per share with respect to the shares for the term of the contract.

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Remarks:

1 of 2 Forms 4 filed October 27, 2005 to report transactions occurring on October 25, 2005 and October 26, 2005.

See second Form 4 for the remainder of the reported transactions.

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