

ARNOLD MICHAEL J

Form 4

January 31, 2013

FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
ARNOLD MICHAEL J

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)

333 N. CENTRAL AVENUE

(Street)

PHOENIX, AZ 85004

(City)

(State)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)

01/29/2013

4. If Amendment, Date Original
Filed(Month/Day/Year)

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
____ Officer (give title ____ Other (specify
below) below)

Exec. Vice President and CAO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check
Applicable Line)
X Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 ⁽¹⁾				(A) or (D)	Price		
			Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock ⁽²⁾	01/29/2013		A ⁽³⁾	50,000	A	\$ 0	285,608
						5,331	I
							401(k) Plan

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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
Options (right to buy)	\$ 35.01	01/29/2013		A	135,000	01/29/2014 ⁽⁴⁾ 01/29/2023	Common Stock 135,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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333 N. CENTRAL AVENUE
PHOENIX, AZ 85004

Exec. Vice President and CAO

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux on behalf of Michael J. Arnold pursuant to a power of attorney

01/31/2013

**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) Based on plan statement as of December 31, 2012.
- (2) Amount beneficially owned following the reported transaction includes 116,795 Performance Based Restricted Stock Units.
- (3) Represents a grant of Performance Based Restricted Stock Units granted in connection with the Issuer's annual incentive plan that will vest on February 15, 2016 provided the performance conditions are met as of the vesting date.
- (4) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.

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