

FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER & GOLD INC
 Form 4
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ADKERSON RICHARD C

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)
 1615 POYDRAS STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 08/03/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 President and CEO

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112
 (City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
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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)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005		M		308,855	A	\$ 13.9734
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005		F ⁽¹⁾		188,287	D	\$ 41.645
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005		S		7,100	D	\$ 41.6
Class B Common	08/03/2005		S		300	D	\$ 41.57

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Stock							
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	1,300	D	\$ 41.56	761,435	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	600	D	\$ 41.55	760,835	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	200	D	\$ 41.51	760,635	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	5,200	D	\$ 41.5	755,435	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	600	D	\$ 41.44	754,835	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	100	D	\$ 41.43	754,735	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	2,000	D	\$ 41.4	752,735	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	700	D	\$ 41.38	752,035	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	2,300	D	\$ 41.37	749,735	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	4,800	D	\$ 41.36	744,935	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	5,900	D	\$ 41.35	739,035	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	2,300	D	\$ 41.34	736,735	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	2,500	D	\$ 41.33	734,235	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	6,000	D	\$ 41.32	728,235	D

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Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	6,600	D	\$ 41.31	721,635	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	18,800	D	\$ 41.3	702,835	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	9,300	D	\$ 41.29	693,535	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	5,500	D	\$ 41.28	688,035	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	5,400	D	\$ 41.27	682,635	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	4,700	D	\$ 41.26	677,935	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	800	D	\$ 41.25	677,135	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	700	D	\$ 41.24	676,435	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	1,000	D	\$ 41.23	675,435	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	3,200	D	\$ 41.22	672,235	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	3,900	D	\$ 41.21	668,335	D
Class B Common Stock	08/03/2005	S	6,400	D	\$ 41.2	661,935	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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- (6) The Reporting Person may instead elect to settle this contract in cash and retain ownership of the 250,000 shares. The Reporting Person has pledged 250,000 shares of Class B Common Stock to secure its 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.

Remarks:

1 of 2 Forms 4 filed August 5, 2005 to report transactions occurring on August 3, 2005 and August 4, 2005.

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

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