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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and ADKERSO	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER & GOLD INC [FCX]					PER	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of			ansaction			X Director X Officer (give		Owner er (specify
333 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE			(Month/Day/Year) 01/29/2013						below) below) President and CEO		
				Amendment, Date Original (Month/Day/Year)					6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting		
PHOENIX,	AZ 85004								Person	More than One Re	eporting
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	le I - No	n-D	erivative Se	curiti	es Acqu	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Da (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution				4. Securities Acquired ction(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	12/28/2012			G	V	31,686	D	\$ 0	1,115,997	D	
Common Stock	01/29/2013			A(1)		300,000	A	\$0	1,415,997	D	
Common Stock									20,330	I	By IRA
Common Stock									552,844 (3)	I	Through Trust

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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou Numb Shares
Options (right to buy)	\$ 35.01	01/29/2013		A	450,000	01/29/2014(2)	01/29/2023	Common Stock	450,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
ADKERSON RICHARD C 333 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE PHOENIX, AZ 85004	X		President and CEO				

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux, on behalf of Richard C. Adkerson, 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) 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.
- (2) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (3) Since the date of Mr. Adkerson's last Form 4, an additional 137,000 shares of the Issuer's Common Stock have been contributed to his trust and are now reported as indirectly held.

Remarks:

Following the reported transactions, Mr. Adkerson's beneficial ownership includes 862,425 shares of Common Stock and 553, Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.

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