

FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER & GOLD INC
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**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 *
 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)
 1615 POYDRAS STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 06/01/2007

____ Director
 ____ Officer (give title below)
 ____ 10% Owner
 ____ Other (specify below)
 Exec. Vice President and CAO

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112

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

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

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				(A) or (D)	Price		
Common Stock	06/01/2007		M	46,036	A \$ 37.04	98,036	D
Common Stock ⁽³⁾	06/01/2007		S	46,036	D \$ 80	52,000	D
Common Stock						2,339 ⁽¹⁾	I 401(k) Plan

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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 of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Options (Right to Buy)	\$ 37.04	06/01/2007		M	46,036	02/01/2006 ⁽²⁾ 02/01/2015	Common Stock	46,036

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
ARNOLD MICHAEL J 1615 POYDRAS STREET NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112			Exec. Vice President and CAO	

Signatures

Kelly C. Simoneaux on behalf of Michael J. Arnold pursuant to a power of attorney 06/04/2007

__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 March 31, 2007.

(2) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.

(3) Amount beneficially owned following the reported transactions includes 22,083 Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.

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