

RANKIN B M JR  
Form 4  
January 26, 2006

**FORM 4**

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

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See Instruction  
1(b).

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

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
RANKIN B M JR

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)  
300 CRESCENT COURT, SUITE  
875

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
(Month/Day/Year)  
01/24/2006

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

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original  
Filed(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  
Person

DALLAS, TX 75201

(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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class B Common Stock					458,492	I	By Rankin Interests Ltd. Partnership
Class B Common Stock	01/24/2006		M		2,500	A	\$ 33.47 6,500 D
Class B Common Stock	01/24/2006		M		5,000	A	\$ 15.195 11,500 D

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Class B Common Stock	01/24/2006	M	5,000	A	\$ 26.975	16,500	D
Class B Common Stock	01/24/2006	M	2,500	A	\$ 9.0938	19,000	D
Class B Common Stock	01/24/2006	M	5,000	A	\$ 11.165	24,000	D
Class B Common Stock	01/24/2006	M	1,639	A	\$ 9.0938	25,639	D
Class B Common Stock	01/24/2006	M	3,278	A	\$ 11.165	28,917	D
Class B Common Stock	01/24/2006	M	3,278	A	\$ 15.195	32,195	D
Class B Common Stock	01/24/2006	M	3,278	A	\$ 26.975	35,473	D
Class B Common Stock	01/24/2006	S	20,000	D	\$ 60	15,473	D
Class B Common Stock <sup>(10)</sup>	01/24/2006	S	11,473	D	\$ 59.33	4,000	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 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 Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable Expiration Date	Title Amount or

## Reporting Owners

## Signatures

01/26/2006

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) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (2) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (3) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (4) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (5) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (6) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (7) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (8) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (9) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.
- (10) Amount beneficially owned following the reported transactions includes 3,500 Class B Common Stock Restricted Stock Units.

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