FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER & GOLD INC Form 8-K June 05, 2006

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 5, 2006

FREEPORT-McMoRan COPPER & GOLD INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) **1-9916** (Commission File Number) 74-2480931 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

1615 Poydras Street New Orleans, Louisiana (Address of principal executive offices)

70112 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (504) 582-4000

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Item 8.01. Other Events.

Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. issued a press release dated June 5, 2006, providing an update on PT Freeport Indonesia's second-quarter 2006 mining and milling activities (see <u>Exhibit 99.1</u>).

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibit.

The Exhibit included as part of this Current Report is listed in the attached Exhibit Index.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

FREEPORT-McMoRan COPPER & GOLD INC.

By: /s/ Kathleen L. Quirk

Kathleen L. Quirk Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer (authorized signatory and Principal Financial Officer)

Date: June 5, 2006

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Exhibit Number

<u>99.1</u> Press release dated June 5, 2006, titled "Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. Updates Second Quarter 2006 Operations."