#### PHELPS DODGE CORP

Form 4

March 21, 2007

## FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Danner Denis	•	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol PHELPS DODGE CORP [PD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First) (Middle)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION, ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE		NORTH	(Month/Day/Year) 03/19/2007	Director 10% OwnerX Officer (give title Other (specify below)  VP and Controller			
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
PHOENIX, AZ 85004			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

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(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of or Renef

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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. Securit or Dispos (Instr. 3,	ed of	` ′	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(I) (Instr. 4)	
Common Shares	03/19/2007		J	1,214	D	<u>(1)</u>	0	D	
Common Shares	03/19/2007		J	448.08	D	(2)	0	I	By 401(k) Plan
Common Shares	03/19/2007		F	10,800	D	\$ 129.24	0	D	
Common Shares	03/19/2007		D	1,750	D	<u>(2)</u>	0	D	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	Secu Acqu (A) o Disp (D)	or osed of r. 3, 4,	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 48.095	03/19/2007		D		1,734	03/19/2007	02/02/2015	Common Shares	0
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 78.995	03/19/2007		D		1,400	03/19/2007	02/01/2016	Common Shares	0
Employee Stock Options (right to buy)	\$ 121.93	03/19/2007		D		1,000	<u>(4)</u>	02/07/2017	Common Shares	0

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Danner Denise R							

C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE PHOENIX, AZ 85004

VP and Controller

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## **Signatures**

/s/ S. David Colton, Attorney-in-Fact for Denise R. Danner

03/21/2007

\*\*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) Each share disposed of pursuant to a merger agreement (the "Merger Agreement") between the issuer and Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. ("Freeport") in exchange for .67 shares of Freeport common stock and a cash payment of \$88.00.
- (2) Each share disposed of pursuant to the Merger Agreement in exchange for the right to receive .67 restricted shares of Freeport common stock and a cash amount of \$88.00.
- (3) Converted into an option to purchase a number of shares of Freeport common stock pursuant to the Merger Agreement.
- (4) The option vests in three substantially equal annual installments on February 6, 2008, 2009 and 2010.

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