

PHELPS DODGE CORP
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Â Mailhot Nancy F
 (Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION,Â ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE

(Street)

PHOENIX,Â AZÂ 85004

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement

(Month/Day/Year)
 10/04/2005

3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PHELPS DODGE CORP [PD]

4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer Other
 (give title below) (specify below)
 Vice President-Human Resources

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Shares	1,704	D	Â
Common Shares	2,500 ⁽¹⁾	D	Â
Common Shares	900 ⁽²⁾	D	Â
Common Shares	1,870 ⁽³⁾	D	Â
Common Shares	1,900 ⁽⁴⁾	D	Â
Common Shares	509	I	Shares held in the Phelps Dodge Employee Savings Plan (401(k) Plan).

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			
Employee Stock Options/Right to Purchase	02/03/2005 ⁽⁵⁾	02/04/2014	Common Shares	667	\$ 74.61	D	Â
Employee Stock Options/Right to Purchase	02/01/2006 ⁽⁶⁾	02/02/2015	Common Shares	1,000	\$ 96.19	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Mailhot Nancy F C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE PHOENIX, AZ 85004	Â	Â	Â Vice President-Human Resources	Â

Signatures

/s/Catherine R. Hardwick, Attorney-in-fact for Nancy F. Mailhot
10/14/2005

__Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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) Award of restricted shares on March 1, 2001 pursuant to the Phelps Dodge Corporation 1998 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan.
- (2) Award of restricted shares on July 2, 2002 pursuant to the Phelps Dodge Corporation 1998 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan.
- (3) Award of restricted shares on February 3, 2004 pursuant to the Phelps Dodge Corporation 2003 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan.
- (4) Award of restricted shares on February 1, 2005 pursuant to the Phelps Dodge Corporation 2003 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan.
- (5) Option grant on February 3, 2004 pursuant to the Phelps Dodge Corporation 2003 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan; the option became exercisable with respect to 333 shares on February 3, 2005; the remaining shares vest in two substantially equal annual installments on February 3, 2006 and 2007.
- (6) Option grant on February 1, 2005 pursuant to the Phelps Dodge Corporation 2003 Stock Option and Restricted Stock Plan; shares vest in three substantially equal annual installments on February 1, 2006, 2007 and 2008.

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