PHELPS DODGE CORP

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Naccarati David C Issuer Symbol PHELPS DODGE CORP [PD] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title C/O PHELPS DODGE 03/10/2006 below) CORPORATION, ONE NORTH President, PDMC **CENTRAL AVENUE** (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting PHOENIX, AZ 85004

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-D	erivative (Secur	ities Acquired	l, 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) DOOD Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A)		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
COMMON SHARES (1)	03/10/2006		M	400	A	\$ 74.61	15,849 (2)	D	
COMMON SHARES (3)	03/10/2006		S	400	D	\$ 135.7733	15,449	D	
COMMON SHARES (1)	03/10/2006		M	1,333	A	\$ 96.19	16,782	D	
COMMON SHARES (3)	03/10/2006		S	1,333	D	\$ 135.7733	15,449	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. Transactic 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 A Underlying Se (Instr. 3 and 4
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTIONS/RIGHTS TO PURCHASE (1)		03/10/2006		M	400	<u>(4)</u>	02/04/2014	COMMON SHARES
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTIONS/RIGHTS TO PURCHASE (1)		03/10/2006		M	1,333	<u>(5)</u>	02/02/2015	COMMON SHARES

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

Naccarati David C

C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE

President, PDMC

PHOENIX, AZ 85004

Signatures

/s/ S. David Colton, Attorney-in-fact for David C. Naccarati

03/14/2006

**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)

Reporting Owners 2

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EXERCISE OF STOCK OPTIONS AND SAME DAY SALE OF UNDERLYING COMMON SHARES PURSUANT TO THE PHELPS DODGE 2003 STOCK OPTION AND RESTRICTED STOCK PLAN.

- (2) INCLUDES, AMONG OTHER SHARES, SHARES OF COMMON STOCK ACQUIRED WITHIN THE PHELPS DODGE SUPPLEMENTAL SAVINGS PLAN AND THE PHELPS DODGE EMPLOYEE SAVINGS PLAN (401(K) PLAN).
- (3) THIS TRANSACTION WAS EFFECTED PURSUANT TO A RULE 10b5-1(c) TRADING PLAN ADOPTED BY THE REPORTING PERSON ON FEBRUARY 6, 2006.
- (4) THE OPTION VESTS IN THREE EQUAL ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS ON FEBRUARY 3, 2005, 2006 AND 2007.
- (5) THE OPTION VESTS IN THREE SUBSTANTIALLY EQUAL ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS ON FEBRUARY 1, 2006, 2007 AND 2008.

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