PHELPS DODGE CORP

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * RICHENHAGEN MARTIN

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

PHELPS DODGE CORP [PD] (Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION, ONE NORTH

(Month/Day/Year) 03/19/2007

_X__ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

CENTRAL AVENUE

(State)

(Zip)

(Street) 4. 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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

PHOENIX, AZ 85004

(City)

		Table 1 - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, of Deficientially Owned									
1.Title of Security	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) or TransactionDisposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities	6. Ownership	7. Nature of Indirect			
(Instr. 3)		any	Code	Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Beneficially	Form:	Beneficial		
		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)				Owned	Direct (D)	Ownership		
							Following	or Indirect	(Instr. 4)		
					(4)		Reported	(I)			
					(A)		Transaction(s)	(Instr. 4)			
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Shares	03/19/2007		M	552.03	A	\$ 0	552.03	D			
Common Shares	03/19/2007		D	552.03	D	\$ 71,336.08	0	D			

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Orderivative Securities Acquired (A or Disposed (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration I (Month/Day	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	
Phantom Stock	<u>(1)</u>	03/19/2007		M	552.0)3 (1)	<u>(1)</u>	Common Shares	552.03	9

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address 10% Owner Officer Other Director

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



Signatures

/s/ S. David Colton, Attorney-in-Fact for Martin H. Richenhagen

03/21/2007

Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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Each issuer deferred stock unit disposed of in exchange for a cash payment equal to the fair market value of a share of issuer common stock on the closing of the merger contemplated by a merger agreement (the "Merger Agreement") between the issuer and Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. ("Freeport"). Pursuant to the terms of the issuer's Directors Stock Unit Plan, cash payments in respect of deferred stock units are made 30 days after the closing date.

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