#### 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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* **DUNHAM ARCHIE W** 

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(First)

PHELPS DODGE CORP [PD]

(Check all applicable)

C/O PHELPS DODGE

(State)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

X\_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify

CORPORATION, ONE NORTH **CENTRAL AVENUE** 

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

> > Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PHOENIX, AZ 85004

(City)

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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)	Code	4. Securities and Disposed of (Instr. 3, 4 and Amount	D)	red (A) or Price	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Shares	03/19/2007		M	15,428.65	A	\$ 0	15,428.65	D		
Common Shares	03/19/2007		D	15,428.65	D	\$ 1,993,767.3	0	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		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		15,428.65	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Shares	15,428.65
Phantom Stock	(2)	03/19/2007		D		17,803.48	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	17,803.48

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
DUNHAM ARCHIE W C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE PHOENIX, AZ 85004	X					

## **Signatures**

/s/ S. David Colton, Attorney-in-Fact for Archie W. Dunham

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).
- 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.
- Each issuer stock unit in the Directors Deferred Compensation Plan disposed of in connection with the merger contemplated by the (2) Merger Agreement in exchange for a Freeport stock unit representing the right to receive 0.67 shares of Freeport common stock and a cash amount of \$88.00.

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