SOUTHERN COPPER CORP/ Form 8-K December 07, 2006

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

December 7, 2006
(Date of Report/Date of earliest event reported)

SOUTHERN COPPER CORPORATION

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

1-14066

(Commission File Number)

13-3849074

(IRS Employer Identification Number)

11811 North Tatum Boulevard, Phoenix, Arizona 85028 (Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

(602) 977-6595

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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ITEM 8.01 OTHER EVENTS

On December 7, 2006, Southern Copper Corporation (the Company) issued a press release announcing an increase in copper reserves at its Toquepala and Cuajone mines in Peru. A copy of the Company s press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

(d) Exhibits:

99.1

Press release of Southern Copper Corporation dated December 7, 2006.

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

Southern Copper Corporation (Registrant)

By: /s/ José N. Chirinos

José N. Chirinos *Comtroller*

Date: December 7, 2006

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