MOFFETT JAMES R

Form 4

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(Print or Type Responses)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

(First)

(Street)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

MOFFETT JAMES R

Symbol

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(Middle)

& GOLD INC [FCX]

(Check all applicable) _X_ Director 10% Owner

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)

below)

X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

1615 POYDRAS STREET 02/08/2010

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Chairman of the Board 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

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Person

NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112

(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)	3. 4. Securities Acquired (A) Transactionor Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8) (A) or			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)			
C			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Ilisu. 5 aliu 4)				
Common Stock	02/08/2010		M	125,000	A	\$ 24.59	263,079	D			
Common Stock	02/08/2010		F(1)	74,139	D	\$ 69.2	188,940	D			
Common Stock	02/08/2010		J(2)	50,861	D	\$ 0	138,079	D			
Common Stock	02/08/2010		J(2)	50,861	A	\$0	1,575,441	I	By LLC		
Common Stock							7,552 (3)	I	By Spouse		

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Common Stock $26{,}085\,\underline{\overset{(4)}{-}} \qquad I \qquad \qquad \frac{\text{By }401(\text{k})}{\text{plan}}$

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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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount Underlying Securitie (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou: Numb Shares
Options (right to buy)	\$ 24.59	02/08/2010		M	125,000	02/02/2010(5)	02/02/2019	Common Stock	125,0

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

MOFFETT JAMES R
1615 POYDRAS STREET X Chairman of the Board
NEW ORLEANS, LA 70112

Signatures

Cynthia M. Molyneux, on behalf of James R. Moffett pursuant to a power of attorney

02/10/2010

**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) Shares delivered and withheld in payment of the exercise price of options and resulting taxes.
- (2) These shares were transferred to Moffett Holdings, L.L.C. and are now reported as indirectly held by the Reporting Person.
- (3) The Reporting Person disclaims beneficial ownership of these shares.
- (4) Based on plan statement as of December 31, 2009.
- (5) 25% exercisable on the date indicated and 25% exercisable on each of the next three anniversaries thereof.

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Remarks:

Following the reported transactions, Mr. Moffett's direct beneficial ownership consists of 138,079 Common Stock Restricted St

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