

FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER & GOLD INC

Form 8-K

October 25, 2010

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): October 22, 2010

FREEPORT-McMoRan COPPER & GOLD INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation)

001-11307-01
(Commission File
Number)

74-2480931
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification
Number)

333 North Central Avenue
Phoenix, AZ
(Address of principal executive offices)

85004-4414
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (602) 366-8100

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:

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Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Item 8.01. Other Events.

Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. issued a press release dated October 22, 2010, announcing the successful conclusion of the review of Tenke Fungurume Mining's contracts (see Exhibit 99.1).

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

The Exhibit included as part of this Current Report is listed in the attached Exhibit Index.

SIGNATURE

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 hereunto duly authorized.

FREEPORT-McMoRan COPPER & GOLD INC.

By: /s/ C. Donald Whitmire, Jr.

C. Donald Whitmire, Jr.
Vice President and Controller -
Financial Reporting
(authorized signatory and
Principal Accounting Officer)

Date: October 22, 2010

Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc.
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99.1 Press Release dated October 22, 2010, titled “DRC Government & Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. Announce Successful Completion of Tenke Fungurume Contract Review Process.”
