

FREEPORT MCMORAN COPPER & GOLD INC
Form 8-K
October 19, 2005

**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 18, 2005

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

Delaware
(State or other
jurisdiction of
incorporation)

1-9916
(Commission File
Number)

74-2480931
(IRS Employer
Identification
Number)

1615 Poydras Street
New Orleans, Louisiana*
(Address of principal executive offices)

70112
(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (504) 582-4000

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 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

* Due to the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. has temporarily moved its corporate headquarters to 5353 Essen Lane, Suite 350, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809, (225) 765-2200.

Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

FM Services Company (FM Services), a wholly owned subsidiary of Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. (FCX), entered into a supplemental consulting agreement with J. Bennett Johnston, Jr. This supplemental agreement renews the consulting agreement previously entered into with Mr. Johnston for an additional one-year period beginning January 1, 2006, and ending December 31, 2006. All terms and conditions of Mr. Johnston's original consulting agreement remain unchanged. Mr. Johnston is a director of FCX.

FM Services also entered into a supplemental consulting agreement with Kissinger Associates, Inc. and Kent Associates Inc., which renews the agreements previously entered into with Kissinger Associates, Inc. and Kent Associates Inc. for an additional one-year period beginning January 1, 2006, and ending December 31, 2006. All terms and conditions of the original agreements remain unchanged. J. Stapleton Roy, managing director of Kissinger Associates, Inc., is a director of FCX.

FM Services also entered into a supplemental consulting agreement with Gabrielle K. McDonald, which renews the consulting agreement previously entered into with Judge McDonald for an additional one-year period beginning January 1, 2006, and ending December 31, 2006. All terms and conditions of Judge McDonald's original consulting agreement remain unchanged. Judge McDonald is a director of FCX.

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 19, 2005