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August 27, 2010

Ms. Cynthia Campbell Water Quality Compliance Section Arizona Department of Environmental Quality 1110 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: Mitigation Order on Consent No. P-121-07
June 1, 2010 through August 31, 2010 Status Report

Dear Ms. Campbell:

Freeport-McMoRan Corporation, Copper Queen Branch (CQB) is submitting the ninth Status Report in accordance with Section V.A. of Mitigation Order on Consent No. P-121-07. This submittal covers the period from June 1, 2010 through August 31, 2010, in accordance with ADEQ's February 12, 2008, approval of the schedule for submission of quarterly Status Reports.

Since June 1, 2010, the following measures have been taken under Section III of the MO:

- On June 10, 2010, submitted Work Plan for the focused bedrock investigation.
- On June 25, 2010, submitted revised quarterly groundwater sampling schedule.
- On July 13, 2010, received comments from ADEQ on the Work Plan for the focused bedrock investigation.
- On July 19, 2010, submitted responses to ADEQ's July 13, 2010 comments on the Work Plan for the focused bedrock investigation.
- On July 20, 2010, conducted a Community Advisory Group meeting.
- Completed third quarter groundwater monitoring.
- Installed BMO-2010-3B and 3M along Greenbush Draw.
- Began field work on focused bedrock investigation.

During the next quarter, the following activities will be conducted:

- Complete the field work for the focused bedrock investigation.
- Complete fourth quarter 2010 groundwater monitoring.
- Prepare report on fourth quarter 2010 groundwater monitoring.

• Complete field work for Work Plan and continue update of the Aquifer Characterization Report.

If you have any questions regarding this Status Report, please contact me at (520) 432-6206 or our project manager Stuart Brown at (602) 366-8303.

Sincerely,

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