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November 30, 2012

Ms. Mindi Cross
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
September 1, 2012 through November 30, 2012

Dear Ms. Cross:

Freeport-McMoRan Corporation, Copper Queen Branch (CQB) is submitting the eighteenth Status Report in accordance with Section V.A. of Mitigation Order on Consent No. P-121-07. This submittal covers the period from September 1, 2012 through November 30, 2012, in accordance with ADEQ's February 12, 2008, approval of the schedule for submission of quarterly Status Reports.

Since September 1, 2012, the following measures have been taken under Section III of the MO:

- Submitted letter to the Arizona Corporation Commission correcting information that was shared with the CAG while representatives of Paul Newman's office were present.
- Submitted Third Quarter 2012, quarterly groundwater monitoring report dated October 19, 2012
- Submitted Revision 1 - Travel Time Analysis for Leading Edge of the Sulfate Plume on September 21, 2012.
- Received agreement from ADEQ to submit detailed time travel calculation with the Feasibility Study and Mitigation Plan for wells that may be impacted in the future, due July 2013.
- Completed fourth quarter 2012 groundwater monitoring.

- Continued drilling project for replacement well installations. The wells at the Anderson and Weiskopf properties have been completed. The owners of the Marcell property have agreed to a public water supply hook up.
- Continued working with Naco Water Company (NWC) for planned mitigation of NWC – 03. NWC awarded the construction contract for the NWC-03 upgrades to KE&G, who has begun work on the construction project.
- Held the third Community Advisory Group (CAG) meeting for 2012 on October 10.

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

- Implement first quarter 2013 groundwater monitoring.
- Begin work on fourth quarter 2012 groundwater monitoring report.
- Continue working on implementation of selected mitigation options.
- Hold fourth CAG meeting for 2012.

If you have any questions regarding this Status Report, please contact me or our project manager Stuart Brown.

Sincerely,



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