



Copper Queen Branch/Freeport-McMoRan Corporation
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February 27, 2014

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
December 1, 2013 through February 28, 2014**

Dear Ms. Cross:

Freeport-McMoRan Corporation, Copper Queen Branch (CQB) is submitting the twenty-third Status Report in accordance with Section V.A. of Mitigation Order on Consent No. P-121-07. This submittal covers the period from December 1, 2013 through February 28, 2014 in accordance with ADEQ's February 12, 2008 approval of the schedule for submission of quarterly Status Reports.

Since December 1, 2013, the following measures have been taken under Section III of the MO:

- Submitted Fourth Quarter 2013, quarterly groundwater monitoring report dated January 14, 2014.
- Completed first quarter 2014 groundwater monitoring with the exception of two wells to be sampled in March.
- Held the fourth Community Advisory Group (CAG) of 2013 on December 18, 2013.
- Held the first CAG of 2014 on February 5, 2014.
- On February 27, 2014, submitted responses to ADEQ's January 24, 2014 comments on the draft Feasibility Study for drinking water supplies that may be affected in the future.

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

- Prepare and submit first quarter 2014 groundwater monitoring report.
- Conduct second quarter 2014 groundwater monitoring.
- Hold second CAG meeting for 2014.
- Once ADEQ approves CQB's February 27, 2014 responses to comments, finalize the FS for drinking water supplies that may be affected in the future and prepare the draft Mitigation Plan.

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If you have any questions regarding this Status Report, please contact me at (602) 366-8303.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stuart Brown". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Stuart Brown
Sr. Director, Remediation Projects
Freeport-McMoRan Corporation

cc: Robert Quintanar/Freeport-McMoRan Corporation, Copper Queen Branch
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