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June 1, 2016

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 March 1, 2016 through May 31, 2016

Dear Ms. Cross:

Freeport Minerals Corporation, Copper Queen Branch (CQB) is submitting the thirty-second Status Report in accordance with Section V.A. of Mitigation Order on Consent No. P-121-07. This submittal covers the period from March 1, 2016 through May 31, 2016 in accordance with ADEQ's February 12, 2008 approval of the schedule for submission of quarterly Status Reports.

Since March 1, 2016, the following measures have been taken under Section III of the MO:

- Collected groundwater sample at NWC-04 and conducted quarterly groundwater sampling on newly installed wells for the expanded groundwater monitoring network. All new wells are to be sampled for eight (8) continuous quarters.
- Submitted the second Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report on March 1, 2016.
- Submitted the second Annual Mitigation Performance Review Report on April 15, 2016.

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

- Conduct third quarter groundwater monitoring and quarterly groundwater sampling on newly installed wells for the expanded groundwater monitoring network. All new wells are to be sampled for eight (8) continuous quarters.
- Conduct the annual CAG meeting for 2016.

If you have any questions regarding this Status Report, please contact me at (520) 393-2041 or our project manager Stuart Brown at (602) 366-8303. Sincerely,

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