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November 30, 2017

Ms. Nirupma Bhatia 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, 2017 through November 30, 2017

Dear Ms. Bhatia:

Freeport Minerals Corporation, Copper Queen Branch (CQB) is submitting the thirty-eighth 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, 2017 through November 30, 2017 in accordance with ADEQ's February 12, 2008 approval of the schedule for submission of quarterly Status Reports.

Since September 1, 2017, the following measures have been taken under Section III of the MO:

- CQB received ADEQ's approval for the Implementation Schedule for an Alternate Water Supply prepared by Clear Creek Associates, L.L.C. and submitted to ADEQ on June 27, 2017 by CQB.
- Conducted fourth quarter groundwater sampling at NWC-4.

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

 Conduct first quarter 2018 semiannual groundwater sampling and quarterly sampling at NWC-04 per Long Term Plume Monitoring schedule. Ms. Nirupma Bhatia November 30, 2017 Page 2 of 2

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,

Fernando Alday

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Copper Queen Branch

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