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February 28, 2022

Ms. Ashley Devore Water Quality Division Inspections and Compliance Unit Arizona Department of Environmental Quality 1110 West Washington Street Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: December 1, 2021 through February 28, 2022 Mitigation Order on Consent No. P-121-07

Dear Ms. Devore:

Freeport Minerals Corporation, Copper Queen Branch (CQB) is submitting the fifty-fifth 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, 2021 through February 28, 2022 in accordance with ADEQ's February 12, 2008 approval of the schedule for submission of quarterly Status Reports.

Since December 1, 2021, the following measures have been taken under Section III of the MO:

• Conducted first quarter 2022 semiannual groundwater sampling and quarterly sampling at NWC-04 per Long Term Plume Monitoring schedule.

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

- Submit the eighth Annual Groundwater Monitoring Report by March 31, 2022.
- Conduct second quarter 2022 groundwater monitoring.

If you have any questions regarding this Status Report, please contact me at (520) 432-6206 or our project manager Dave Gosen at (602) 366-7312.

Sincerely,

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Fernando Alday Senior Environmental Engineer Copper Queen Branch

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