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## **VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL**

November 30, 2023

Bret Esslin
Water Quality Division
Inspections and Compliance Unit
Arizona Department of Environmental Quality
1110 West Washington Street
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

Re: September 1, 2023 through November 30, 2023 Mitigation Order on Consent No. P-121-07

Dear Bret Esslin:

Freeport Minerals Corporation, Copper Queen Branch (CQB) is submitting the sixty-second 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, 2023 through November 30, 2023 in accordance with ADEQ's February 12, 2008 approval of the schedule for submission of quarterly Status Reports.

Since September 1, 2023, the following measures have been taken under Section III of the MO:

- Conducted the annual CAG meeting on November 27, 2023 virtually via Microsoft Teams
- Conducted fourth quarter 2023 groundwater sampling at NWC-4.

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

• Conduct first quarter 2024 semiannual groundwater sampling and quarterly sampling at NWC-04 per Long Term Plume Monitoring schedule.

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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,

Fernando Alday

Chief Environmental Engineer

Copper Queen Branch

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