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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Mailhot Nancy F

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(First) (Last)

PHELPS DODGE CORP [PD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Check all applicable)

C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION, ONE NORTH

(Street)

(Middle)

(Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify 03/01/2006 below) VP-Human Resources

CENTRAL AVENUE

4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Instr. 8)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PHOENIX, AZ 85004

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 4. Securities Acquired (A) 3. Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

7. Nature of 5. Amount of 6. Securities Ownership Indirect Beneficially Form: Beneficial Ownership Owned Direct (D) or Indirect (Instr. 4) **Following** Reported (I)

(Month/Day/Year)

or Code V Amount (D)

(A)

Price

Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) (Instr. 3 and 4)

COMMON SHARES

(Instr. 3)

03/01/2006

 $F^{(1)}$ 787 D

10,923 (2) D 139.665

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Mailhot Nancy F C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE PHOENIX, AZ 85004

VP-Human Resources

Signatures

/s/ S. David Colton, Attorney-in-fact for Nancy F. Mailhot

03/03/2006

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) SHARES WITHHELD TO PAY STATE AND FEDERAL TAXES ON AN AWARD OF RESTRICTED SHARES PURSUANT TO THE PHELPS DODGE 1998 STOCK OPTION AND RESTRICTED STOCK PLAN.
- (2) INCLUDES SHARES OF COMMON STOCK ACQUIRED WITHIN THE PHELPS DODGE EMPLOYEE SAVINGS PLAN (401(K) PLAN).

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