

PHELPS DODGE CORP
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Danner Denise R

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION, ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE

(Street)

PHOENIX, AZ 85004

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 PHELPS DODGE CORP [PD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 08/02/2005

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
 VP and Controller

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
COMMON SHARES	08/02/2005		M ⁽¹⁾	1,667 A \$ 34.67	6,387	D	
COMMON SHARES	08/02/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	1,667 D \$ 111.9095	4,720	D	
COMMON SHARES	08/02/2005		M ⁽¹⁾	667 A \$ 40.605	5,387	D	
COMMON SHARES	08/02/2005		S ⁽¹⁾	667 D \$ 111.9095	4,720	D	

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)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	Am or Nur of Sha
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTIONS / RIGHT TO PURCHASE	\$ 34.67	08/02/2005		M ⁽¹⁾	1,667	12/04/2004 12/05/2011	COMMON SHARES	1,
EMPLOYEE STOCK OPTIONS / RIGHT TO PURCHASE	\$ 40.605	08/02/2005		M ⁽¹⁾	667	07/02/2005 07/03/2012	COMMON SHARES	6

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Danner Denise R C/O PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION ONE NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE PHOENIX, AZ 85004			VP and Controller	

Signatures

/ s / S. David Colton, Attorney-in-fact for Denise R. Danner
08/04/2005

__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) EXERCISE OF OPTIONS AND SAME DAY SALE OF UNDERLYING COMMON SHARES PURSUANT TO THE PHELPS DODGE 1998 STOCK OPTION AND RESTRICTED STOCK PLAN.

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