

PHELPS DODGE CORP  
Form 8-K  
April 10, 2006

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

April 4, 2006

(Date of Report/Date of earliest event reported)

**PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**NEW YORK**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-00082**

(Commission File Number)

**13-1808503**

(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**One North Central Avenue  
Phoenix, Arizona 85004-4414**

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

**(602) 366-8100**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

**N/A**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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**ITEM 5.02 DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS**

(b) On April 4, 2006, Mr. Robert N. Burt advised the board of directors (the Board ) of Phelps Dodge Corporation (the Company ) that he has decided to retire from the Board after thirteen years of service and will not stand for re-election as a director at the Company s annual meeting of stockholders scheduled for May 26, 2006 (the 2006 Annual Meeting ).

On April 4, 2006, Mr. Robert D. Krebs advised the Board that he has decided to retire from the Board after nineteen years of service and will not stand for re-election as a director at the 2006 Annual Meeting.

Messrs. Burt and Krebs will continue to serve as directors until the expiration of their terms at the 2006 Annual Meeting.

**ITEM 7.01 REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE**

On April 5, 2006, the Company issued a press release announcing that it had nominated two new director candidates to stand for election as directors at the 2006 Annual Meeting:

Dustan E. McCoy, 56, chairman and chief executive officer of Brunswick Corporation

Martin Richenhagen, 53, president and chief executive officer of AGCO Corporation  
See Exhibit 99.1 furnished herewith.

**ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS**

(d) Exhibits.

**Exhibit Number**

**Description**

Exhibit 99.1

Press Release of Phelps Dodge Corporation, dated April 5, 2006.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**PHELPS DODGE CORPORATION**

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Ramiro G. Peru

Name: Ramiro G. Peru

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief  
Financial  
Officer

Date: April 10, 2006

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