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## **Freeport-McMoRan Completes Sale of Eagle Ford Interests for \$3.1 Billion**

PHOENIX, AZ, June 20, 2014 – Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc. (NYSE: FCX) announced today that its oil and gas subsidiary, Freeport-McMoRan Oil & Gas (FM O&G), has completed its previously announced sale of its Eagle Ford Shale assets to a subsidiary of Encana Corporation (Encana) (TSX, NYSE: ECA) for cash consideration of \$3.1 billion, before closing adjustments from the effective date of April 1, 2014, through the closing date. The Eagle Ford assets include all of FM O&G's interests on approximately 45,500 net acres with estimated net proved reserves totaling 59 million barrels of oil equivalents (BOE) and estimated net proved and probable reserves of 69 million BOE at year-end 2013.

The company expects to complete the acquisition of interests in the Deepwater Gulf of Mexico from Apache on June 30, 2014.

FCX is a premier U.S.-based natural resources company with an industry-leading global portfolio of mineral assets, significant oil and gas resources and a growing production profile. FCX is the world's largest publicly traded copper producer.

FCX's portfolio of assets includes the Grasberg minerals district in Indonesia, one of the world's largest copper and gold deposits; significant mining operations in the Americas, including the large-scale Morenci minerals district in North America and the Cerro Verde operation in South America; the Tenke Fungurume minerals district in the Democratic Republic of Congo; and significant oil and natural gas assets in North America, including reserves in the Deepwater GOM, onshore and offshore California and in the Haynesville shale play, and an industry-leading position in the emerging shallow water Inboard Lower Tertiary/Cretaceous natural gas trend on the Shelf of the GOM and onshore in South Louisiana. Additional information about FCX is available on FCX's website at "www.fcx.com."

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