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THE COPPER CLUB, INC. TO HONOR FREEPORT-MCMORAN'S HARRY M. (RED) CONGER WITH PRESTIGOUS ANKH AWARD

New York, NY (April 9, 2018) – Today, <u>The Copper Club, Inc.</u> announced their selection of the Ankh Award recipient, **Harry M.** (**Red**) **Conger**, President and Chief Operating Officer-Americas for Freeport-McMoRan Inc. (<u>NYSE:FCX</u>). The award will be presented at The Copper Club's <u>Annual Dinner</u>, on June 6, 2018, at The Pierre Hotel in New York City. Mr. Conger will be honored in recognition of his outstanding service to the copper mining industry for his leadership in promoting improvements in workforce safety and building strong collaborative relationships with the local communities.

Attendees at this special event include industry leaders from the mining, refining and smelting, fabricating, manufacturing and financial services sectors from around the world. The prestigious Ankh Award has been bestowed every year since 1962 to professionals who have made extraordinary contributions to the copper industry.

The Copper Club Chairman, Arthur R. Miele said the Board of Directors selected Mr. Conger in recognition of his exemplary and distinguished contribution to the copper industry. "The Board of Directors selection of Red Conger to receive the 2018 Ankh Award recognizes the exceptional leadership that Red has demonstrated not only at Freeport but within the industry as a whole. I have had the privilege to work with Red for over 25 years and witness his unique ability to motivate individuals and teams of individuals to achieve excellence. He is a man of great integrity and is recognized as a champion for promoting social responsibility in mining." said Miele.

"I congratulate Red for being selected for this award, one in which he most richly deserves," said Richard C. Adkerson, Freeport-McMoRan Inc. Vice Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer. "He has given so much to the betterment of the industry in areas that are crucial to our long-term prosperity and sustainability, and has been an effective promoter of these practices within our organization and throughout the copper mining industry. I am so proud of his accomplishments and welcome him to this prestigious group of recipients of the Ankh Award."

The Copper Club will also announce the 2018 recipients of their Educational Grants Program, which assists exceptional students in preparing for careers in fields related to maintenance and expansion of the copper industry. Each grant is awarded to students who demonstrate academic excellence and financial need. To date, The Copper Club has provided more than \$1 million in scholarships to students to help ensure the future of copper.

Conger is a past Chairman of the National Mining Association, and has been a member of the Executive Committee since 2007. In 2017, he was the honored recipient of the Charles F. Rand Memorial Gold Medal in recognition of his continued leadership in safety, change management and production efficiency and for his contributions to SME. Conger is also a former commissioner on the New Mexico mining commission, and served on an Arizona water review commission.

To purchase tickets for this event, visit http://www.copperclub.org/events/

About The Copper Club

The Copper Club was formed in 1944 to convene all participants in the copper industry. It is comprised of copper producers, fabricators, refiners, dealers, traders and merchants. The Copper Club seeks to promote the interests of the copper industry. By honoring those who have forged pathways in the industry and paving new paths for students working toward careers in the industry, The Copper Club ensures the past, present and future of copper.

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