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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549 Schedule TO/A

TENDER OFFER STATEMENT PURSUANT TO RULE 14(d)-1 or 13(e)(1) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

(Amendment No. 8) PLACER DOME INC.

(Name of Subject Company (Issuer))

BARRICK GOLD CORPORATION

(Name of Filing Person (Bidder))
Common Shares

(Title of Class of Securities) **725906101**

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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This Statement amends and supplements the Tender Offer Statement on Schedule TO (as previously amended, the Schedule TO) filed with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission on November 10, 2005 by Barrick Gold Corporation (Barrick).

The Schedule TO relates to the offer (the Offer) by Barrick to purchase (i) all outstanding common shares (including those that are subject to CHESS Depositary Interests and International Depositary Receipts) of Placer Dome Inc. (Placer Dome), which includes common shares that may become outstanding after the date of the offer but before the expiry time of the offer upon conversion, exchange or exercise of options or convertible debentures or other securities of Placer Dome that are convertible into or exchangeable for common shares and (ii) the associated rights issued under the Shareholders Rights Plan of Placer Dome (collectively, the Shares), at a price of, on the basis of and at the election of the shareholder of Placer Dome:

- (a) US\$20.50, in cash for each Share; or
- (b) 0.7518 of a Barrick common share and US\$0.05 in cash for each Share in each case subject to proration.

The Offer is subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the Offer and Circular dated November 10, 2005 (the Offer and Circular) and the related Letter of Acceptance and Transmittal, copies of which were filed as Exhibits 1.1 and 1.2, respectively, to the initial Schedule TO.

Capitalized terms used herein and not defined herein have the respective meaning assigned to such terms in the Offer and Circular.

Item 11 Additional Information

Item 11 of Schedule TO is amended as follows:

Barrick has filed an application dated December 2, 2005 with the British Columbia Securities Commission, the securities regulatory authority in British Columbia, Canada, for an order that trading cease in respect of any securities issued or to be issued in connection with Placer Dome s shareholder rights plan (the Rights Plan) and that prospectus exemptions in connection with the distribution and exercise of rights issued under the Rights Plan be removed. The principal parties in the application are Barrick and Placer Dome. Barrick has requested that a hearing in respect of the application be held no later than December 16, 2005.

The applicable waiting period under the HSR Act has expired.

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SIGNATURES

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

BARRICK GOLD CORPORATION

By: /s/ Sybil E. Veenman

Name: Sybil E. Veenman

Title: Vice President, Assistant

Date: General

Counsel and Secretary December 6, 2005

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