HOWELL S ODEN JR

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOWELL S ODEN JR			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD]				ng	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(Check all applicable)				
1660 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 1000			(Month/Day/Year) 10/24/2012					_X_ Director Officer (give below)		Owner er (specify
				ndment, Date Original hth/Day/Year)				6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tahl	le I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Aca	uired, Disposed o	f or Reneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction D (Month/Day/Yea	r) Execution		3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi	ties A ispose 4 and (A)	cquired d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of
Common stock	10/24/2012			Code V M	Amount 5,000	or (D)	Price \$ 19.77	(Instr. 3 and 4) 435,405 (1)	D	
Common stock								20,000	I	Spouse
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. 5. Number Transaction Derivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) 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 Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 E S (1
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Stock Option (NSO right to buy)	\$ 19.77	10/24/2012	M	5,000	11/12/2003	11/12/2012	Common Stock	5,000	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
r g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HOWELL S ODEN JR 1660 WYNKOOP STREET SUITE 1000 DENVER, CO 80202-1132	X					

Signatures

/s/S. Oden Howell, Jr., KG for 10/26/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

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- * 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) Includes 1,087 shares of restricted shares that have not yet vested.

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