ROYAL GOLD INC

Form 4

November 17, 2016

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

| 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer | | |
|--|--|--|--|
| 3. Date of Earliest Transaction | (Check all applicable) | | |
| (Month/Day/Year) 11/15/2016 | Director 10% Owner Negligible of the control of th | | |
| 4. If Amendment, Date Original | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check | | |
| Filed(Month/Day/Year) | Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person | | |
| | Symbol ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD] 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 11/15/2016 4. If Amendment, Date Original | | |

| (City) | (State) (| Zip) Table | e I - Non-D | erivative | Secur | ities Acqu | uired, Disposed o | f, or Beneficial | ly Owned |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--|--|------------------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securi on(A) or Di (Instr. 3, | spose | d of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | Code V | Amount | (A) or (D) | Price | Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 11/15/2016 | | M | 625 | A | \$ 0 | 12,860 (1) | D | |
| Common stock | 11/15/2016 | | F | 335 (2) | D | \$ 69.26 | 12,525 (1) | D | |

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exer Expiration E (Month/Day. | Pate | 7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and | Securities |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|---|--------------------|---|--|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Performance Shares | \$ 0 | 11/15/2016 | | M | 625 | (3) | 08/26/2019 | Common Stock | 625 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------|-------|--|--|--|
| 1 8 | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | |
| Isto Mark | | | | | | | |
| 1660 WYNKOOP STREET | | VD Operations | | | | | |
| SUITE 1000 | | VP Operations | | | | | |
| DENVER, CO 80202 | | | | | | | |

Signatures

Margaret A. Beck as attorney-in-fact for Mark Isto

11/17/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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 9,102 shares of restricted stock that have not vested.
- (2) Represents shares withheld to satisfy taxes; no shares were sold.
- (3) A performance award represents a contingent right to receive shares of common stock upon achievement of certain performance goals.

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