# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

## FORM 8-K

#### CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) March 2, 2006

# **ROYAL GOLD, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware001-1335784-0835164(State or other jurisdiction<br/>of incorporation)(Commission<br/>File Number)(IRS Employer<br/>Identification No.)1660 Wynkoop Street, Suite 1000, Denver, CO80202-1132

(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code 303-573-1660

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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(Zip Code)

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#### Item 8.01 Other Event

On March 2, 2006, Royal Gold, Inc. issued a press release announcing its second quarter dividend of \$0.055 per share payable on April 21, 2006, to shareholders of record at the close of business on April 7, 2006.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits

99.1 Press Release dated March 2, 2006

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#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Royal Gold, Inc. (Registrant)

By: /s/ Karen Gross

Name: Karen Gross Title: Vice President & Corporate Secretary

Dated: March 2, 2006

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