

ROYAL GOLD INC
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**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Heissenbittel William Holmes

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1660 WYNKOOP, #1000

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/12/2016

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)

VP Corp Dev & Ops

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/12/2016		M		2,500	A	\$ 28.78
							66,898 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	05/12/2016		F		535 ⁽²⁾	D	\$ 57.57
							66,363 ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock	05/13/2016		S		1,250 ⁽³⁾	D	\$ 57.64
							65,113 ⁽¹⁾

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities 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. P	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (Right to Buy NSO)	\$ 28.78	05/12/2016		M	833	11/17/2007 11/17/2016	11/17/2016	Common Stock	833
Stock Option (Right to Buy NSO)	\$ 28.78	05/12/2016		M	834	11/17/2008 11/17/2016	11/17/2016	Common Stock	834
Stock Option (Right to Buy NSO)	\$ 28.78	05/12/2016		M	833	11/17/2009 11/17/2016	11/17/2016	Common Stock	833

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Heissenbittel William Holmes 1660 WYNKOOP #1000 DENVER, CO 80202			VP Corp Dev & Ops	

Signatures

Margaret A. Beck as Attorney-in-Fact for William Holmes
Heissenbittel

05/16/2016

**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 21,943 shares of restricted stock that have not yet vested.
- (2) Represents shares withheld to satisfy taxes; no shares were sold.
- (3) Represents shares sold to cover options costs on options due to expire in 2016.

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