ROYAL GOLD INC

Form 4

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1(b).

Common

stock

12/11/2008

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading STUCKERT JAMES W Issuer Symbol ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD] (Check all applicable) (First) (Middle) (Last) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) X_ Director 10% Owner Officer (give title Other (specify 1660 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 12/11/2008 below) 1000 (Street) 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 DENVER, CO 80202-1132 (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 6. Ownership 7. Nature of 5. Amount of Transaction(A) or Disposed of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial any (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A)

Code V

S

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

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Transaction(s)

(Instr. 3 and 4)

1,582,585 (1)

or

(D)

Amount

3.000

Price

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

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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
F	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
STUCKERT JAMES W 1660 WYNKOOP STREET SUITE 1000 DENVER, CO 80202-1132	X						
Signatures							

/s/James W. Stuckert, kg for 12/11/2008 Date **Signature of Reporting

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 1,250 restricted shares that have not yet vested.

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