ROYAL GOLD INC

Form 4

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * MARCUS MERRITT E

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

Symbol

ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD]

(Check all applicable)

(First)

(Street)

(Month/Day/Year)

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

1660 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE

11/08/2006

(Middle)

below)

1000

4. If Amendment, Date Original

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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 Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

(A) or

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Common stock (1)

11/08/2006

Code V Amount (D) Price Α 1,250 A

\$0 216,338

 $D^{(2)}$

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)

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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)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number proof 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (NSO right to buy)	\$ 29.2	11/08/2006		M	2,500	11/08/2006 <u>(3)</u>	11/08/2016	Common Stock	2,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
1 6	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
MARCUS MERRITT E 1660 WYNKOOP STREET SUITE 1000 DENVER, CO 80202-1132	X					

Signatures

/s/Merritt Marcus, kg for 11/13/2006

**Signature of Reporting 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) Grant of restricted stock; 50% vesting immediate and 50% vesting in one year.
- (2) Shares are held in a trust in which Mr. Marcus is the trustee.
- (3) 50% immediate/50% in one year.

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