#### **ROYAL GOLD INC**

Form 4

February 24, 2012

## FORM 4

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

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES** 

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * JENSEN TONY A	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  (Check all applicable)		
(Last) (First) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(eneck an applicable)		
1660 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 1000	(Month/Day/Year) 02/22/2012	_X_ Director10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  President and CEO		
(Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
DENVER, CO 80202	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	rities Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)			4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/22/2012		Code V	Amount 5,400	or	Price \$ 0	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 185,538 (1)	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2012		F	2,224	D	\$ 71.59 (2)	183,314 (1)	D	
Common Stock	02/23/2012		S	176	D	\$ 71.59	183,138 <u>(1)</u>	D	

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

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6. Date Exercisable and

7. Title and Amount

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

Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	if Transaction Derivative		Expiration Date		Underlying Securities		
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Secu	rities	(Month/Day/Year)		(Instr. 3 and 4)	
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acqı	uired				
	Derivative				(A) (	or				
	Security				Disp	osed of				
					(D)					
					`	r. 3, 4,				
					and :	5)				
										Amoun
							Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	or Numbe of
				Code V	(A)	(D)				Shares
Performance	\$ 0	02/22/2012		M		5 400	02/22/2012	09/19/2016	Common	5,400
Shares	\$ U	02/22/2012		IVI		3,400	02/22/2012	00/10/2010	Stock	3,400

## **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
. 9	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
JENSEN TONY A 1660 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 1000 DENVER, CO 80202	X		President and CEO				

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed

## **Signatures**

1. Title of

/s/Tony Alan Jensen,

KG for 02/24/2012

\*\*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 42,999 shares of restricted stock that have not yet vested.
- (2) The range of the weighted average sale price if \$71.56 to \$71.66.

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