GROSS KAREN Form 4 January 03, 2006

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)

(Last)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **GROSS KAREN**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/29/2005

1660 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 1000

(Street)

(First)

(Middle)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

V.P. & Corporate Secretary

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

DENVER, CO 80202-1132

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	le I - Non-I	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	ly 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)	, , ,			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)
			Code V	Amount	or	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common stock	12/29/2005		M	18,208	A	\$ 5.375	91,276	D	
Common stock	12/29/2005		M	9,500	A	\$ 4.875	100,776	D	
Common stock	12/29/2005		S	6,000	D	\$ 34.75	94,776	D	
Common stock	12/29/2005		S	4,800	D	\$ 34.98	89,976	D	
Common stock	12/29/2005		S	200	D	\$ 34.99	89,776	D	

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Common stock	12/29/2005	S	10,608	D	\$ 35	79,168	D
Common stock	12/29/2005	S	4,000	D	\$ 35.15	75,168	D
Common stock	12/29/2005	S	1,300	D	\$ 35.25	73,868	D
Common stock	12/29/2005	S	800	D	\$ 35.28	73,068	D
Common stock	01/03/2006	M	3,024	A	\$ 5.375	76,092	D
Common stock	01/03/2006	M	5,012	A	\$ 5.375	81,104	D
Common stock	01/03/2006	M	20,000	A	\$ 4.594	101,104	D
Common stock	12/29/2005	S	5,000	D	\$ 35	96,104	D

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

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 $\label{thm:convertible} \textbf{Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned} \\ \textit{(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)}$

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of ctionDerivative Securities 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		Expiration Dat	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	
Employee stock option (right to buy NSO)	\$ 5.375	12/29/2005		M		18,208	05/29/1999	10/03/2007	Common stock	18,208	
Employee stock option (right to	\$ 4.875	12/29/2005		M		9,500	11/16/2000	11/16/2009	Common stock	9,500	

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buy NSO)								
Employee stock option (right to buy ISO)	\$ 5.375	01/03/2006	M	3,024	05/29/1999	12/10/2006	Common stock	3,024
Employee Stock option (right to buy ISO)	\$ 5.375	01/03/2006	M	5,012	05/29/1998	10/03/2007	Common stock	5,012
Employee stock option (right to buy ISO)	\$ 4.594	01/03/2006	M	20,000	11/17/1998	11/17/2008	Common stock	20,000

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V.P. & Corporate Secretary

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address			Kelationships	
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other

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1660 WYNKOOP STREET

SUITE 1000 DENVER, CO 80202-1132

Signatures

Karen Gross 01/03/2006

**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).

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