#### WENGER STEFAN

Form 4

January 03, 2006

# FORM 4

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

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Add WENGER ST	•	rting Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer		
(Last) (First) (Middle)			3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)		
1660 WYNKO 1000	` ′	, ,	(Month/Day/Year) 12/29/2005	Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below)  Treas.& Chief Acctg Officer		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person		
DENVER, CO	80302			Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	f, or Beneficial	y 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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common stock	12/29/2005		Code V M	Amount 2,867	(D)	Price \$ 17.38	(Instr. 3 and 4) 2,867	D	
Common stock	12/29/2005		S	2,867	D	\$ 35.48	0	D	
Common stock	01/03/2006		M	2,500	A	\$ 12.55	2,500	D	

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. Transactic 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amoun or Numbe of Shares
Employee stock option (right to buy NSO)	\$ 17.38	12/29/2005		M	2,867	11/10/2005(1)	11/10/2014	Common stock	2,867
Employee Stock Option (right to buy ISO)	\$ 12.55	01/03/2006		M	2,500	05/20/2005	05/20/2014	Common stock	2,500

# **Reporting Owners**

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Director 10% Owner Officer Other

**WENGER STEFAN** 

1660 WYNKOOP STREET

Treas.& Chief Acctg Officer STE 1000

DENVER, CO 80302

### **Signatures**

/s/Stefan Wenger, 01/03/2006 kg for

\*\*Signature of Reporting Date

Person

## **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) One-third of grant vesting annually over three years.

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