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obligatio may con <i>See</i> Instr 1(b).	tinue. Section 17(a	a) of the l	Public U		ling Con	npany	Act of	1935 or Section	1		
(Print or Type]	Responses)										
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> GROSS KAREN			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD]					5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last)	(First) (N	(liddle)		Earliest Tra	-			(Chec)	k all applicable)	
(N				(Month/Day/Year) 12/24/2009				Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) VP and Secretary			
	(Street)			ndment, Da th/Day/Year)	-	1		6. Individual or Jo Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by C	-	-	
DENVER,	CO 80202-1132							Form filed by M Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acq	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficial	ly Owned	
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)2A. Deem Execution any (Month/Day/Year)		n Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	curities Form: Direct In neficially (D) or B yned Indirect (I) C llowing (Instr. 4) (I ported				
				Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)			
Common Stock	12/23/2009			М	1,250	А	\$0	104,268 <u>(1)</u>	D		
Common Stock	12/24/2009			S	1,250	D	\$ 48.89	103,018 <u>(1)</u>	D		
Common Stock	12/24/2009			S	2,500	D	\$ 48.89	100,518 <u>(2)</u>	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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	onof Derivative		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
Performance Shares	\$ 0	12/23/2009		М		1,250	12/23/2009	11/07/2012	Common Stock	1,250

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships							
1	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other				
GROSS KAREN 1660 WYNKOOP STREET SUITE 1000 DENVER, CO 80202-1132			VP and Secretary					
Signatures								

Karen Gross 12/28/2009 **Signature of Date Reporting 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) Includes 36,500 shares of restricted stock that have not yet vested.
- (2) Includes 34,000 shares of restricted stock that have not yet vested.

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