ROYAL GOLD INC Form 8-K December 23, 2009

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 23, 2009

ROYAL GOLD, INC. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Delaware	001-13357	84-0835164
(State or other Jurisdiction	(Commission File Number)	(I.R.S. Employer
of Incorporation)		Identification No.)

1660 Wynkoop Street, Suite 1000, Denver, CO80202-1132(Address of Principal Executive Offices)(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 303-573-1660

N/A (Former name or former address, if changed from last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- r Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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Item 8.01

Other Events

On December 23, 2009, Royal Gold, Inc. ("Royal Gold") issued a press release announcing that Royal Gold had entered into additional voting agreements with certain shareholders of International Royalty Corporation ("IRC") in conjunction with the recently announced Plan of Arrangement between Royal Gold and IRC. The new voting agreements total 7.16% of IRC's fully diluted shares outstanding. This brings the combined total percentage of shares subject to voting agreements to approximately 34%.

Item 9.01.Financial Statements and Exhibits.(d) Exhibits99.1Press Release dated December 23, 2009

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Royal Gold, Inc. (Registrant)

Date: December 23, 2009

By:/s/ Karen Gross Karen Gross Vice President & Corporate Secretary

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated December 23, 2009