ROYAL GOLD INC Form 8-K December 30, 2004

### EFFECTIVE AUGUST 23RD, 2004 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 28, 2004

#### ROYAL GOLD, INC.

		ROTTE GOLD, II ve.			
	(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)				
	Delaware	0-5664	84-0835164		
	(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)		
1660 Wynkoop Street, Suite 1000, Denver, CO		80202-1132			
_	(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)		
	Registrant's telephor	ne number, including area cod	e <u>303-573-1660</u>		
	(Former name or f	ormer address, if changed sine	ce last report.)		
	k the appropriate box below if the Fo	<u> </u>	• •		
[]	Written communications pursuar	nt to Rule 425 under the Secur	rities Act (17 CFR 230.425)		
[]	Soliciting material pursuant to R	ule 14a-12 under the Exchang	e Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)		
[]	Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))				
[]	Pre-commencement communicat 240.13e-4(c))	ions pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c	) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR		

#### Item 8.01 Other Event

Ed Peiker, a director of the Company, is the managing partner of Ed Peiker, LLC, a Colorado limited liability corporation (the "Peiker LLC"), which has, as of December 28, 2004, modified its Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan (the "Plan") dated November 6, 2003, at a time when he was not in possession of material non-public information about Royal Gold (the "Issuer"), whose securities are the subject of the Plan, and when the Issuer had an open trading window.

Paragraph 1.1 of the Plan has been modified to read as follows:

5,000 shares every month, provided the price per share is at or above \$19.00 on the NASDAQ (the "Exchange") until 180,000 shares have been sold pursuant to the Plan or the Plan ends as otherwise specified herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(c) Exhibits

Exhibit 99.1

Representation for Modification of Trading Plan under Rule 10b5-1.

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#### **SIGNATURES**

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)

By: /s/ Karen Gross

	Name:	Karen Gross
	Title:	Vice President & Corporate Secretary
Dated: December 30, 2004		
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		Exhibit 99.1
Representation for Modifica	tion of T	rading Plan under Rule 10b5-1
I represent to Merrill Lynch, Pierce Fenner and S	Smith ("N	Merrill Lynch"):
<del>-</del>	hen I wa ose secui ion with	as not in possession of material nonpublic rities are the subject of the Plan. I have consulted my decision to modify my existing plan and have
Any and all representations made by me at the ti	me I crea	ated my Plan remain in effect.
Paragraph 1.1 of the plan is modified as follows:		
5,000 shares every month, provided the price per "Exchange"), until 18,000 shares have been sold herein;		at or above \$19.00 on the NASDAQ (the to the Plan or the Plan ends as otherwise specified
The acceptance by Merrill Lynch's authorized re Plan.	presenta	tive below incorporates the modification into my
/s/ Edwin Peiker, Jr		
Ed Peiker, Managing Partner		

Dated:<u>I2-28-04</u>

Acceptance by Merrill Lynch:
/s/Michael Cuomo
Michael Cuomo, Resident Vice President
Dated: <u>I2-30-04</u>