HOWELL S ODEN JR

Form 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1.Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

Common

stock

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * HOWELL S ODEN JR

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 12/19/2005

X_ Director 10% Owner Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Officer (give title below)

1660 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 1000

(Street)

12/19/2005

(First)

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 Form filed by More than One Reporting

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

Issuer

DENVER, CO 80202-1132

(State) (Zip) 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

3. 4. Securities

(Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (D) or Owned Following (Instr. 4) Reported

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect Beneficial Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 4)

(A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

G 3,000 Α \$0 501,180 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)

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. onNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			7. Title a Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 a	of ng s	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
				Code V	(Instr. 3, 4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	or Title Nu of	umber		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
HOWELL S ODEN JR 1660 WYNKOOP STREET SUITE 1000 DENVER, CO 80202-1132	X						

Signatures

S. Oden Howell,

Jr.

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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