

DEMPSEY STANLEY  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
DEMPSEY STANLEY

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
ROYAL GOLD INC [RGLD]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
1660 WYNKOOP ST, STE 1000  
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
11/03/2009

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)

DENVER, CO 80202-1132

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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 (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	11/03/2009		M		45,020	A	\$ 20.08
Common Stock	11/03/2009		M		23,000	A	\$ 22.22
Common Stock	11/03/2009		M		36,550	A	\$ 28.78
Common Stock	11/03/2009		M		36,640	A	\$ 29.75
Common Stock	11/03/2009		F <sup>(2)</sup>		74,430	D	\$ 47.79
							14,293
						I	Spouse

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Common  
Stock

Common  
Stock

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Stanley  
Dempsey,  
Jr.  
Irrevocable  
Trust

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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. Transaction 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	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Option (NSO Right to Buy)	\$ 20.08	11/03/2009		M	45,020	05/29/2004 05/29/2013	Common Stock	45,020	
Stock Option (NSO Right to Buy)	\$ 22.22	11/03/2009		M	23,000	11/08/2006 11/08/2015	Common Stock	23,000	
Stock Option (NSO Right to Buy)	\$ 28.78	11/03/2009		M	36,550	11/07/2007 11/07/2016	Common Stock	36,550	
Stock Option (NSO Right to Buy)	\$ 29.75	11/03/2009		M	36,640	11/07/2008 11/07/2017	Common Stock	36,640	

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
DEMPSEY STANLEY 1660 WYNKOOP ST STE 1000 DENVER, CO 80202-1132	X			

## Signatures

/s/Stanley Dempsey, kg for	11/05/2009
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

## 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 15,000 shares of restricted stock that have not yet vested.
  - (2) The reporting person surrendered shares that he owned and held for more than six months for payment of the exercise prices.

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