VISTA GOLD CORP

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Earnest Frederick Hume			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VISTA GOLD CORP [VGZ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
C/O VISTA GOLD CORP, 7961 SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE 5		1	(Month/Day/Year) 08/11/2016	_X_ Director 10% Owner _X_ Officer (give title Other (specify below) President and CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
LITTLETON	I, CO 80127		Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City) (State) (Zip) Toble I Non Derivative Securities Acquired Disposed of

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curiti	es Acqı	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)			of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Shares	08/11/2016		M	120,000	A	\$ 0 (1)	394,699	D	
Common Shares	08/11/2016		M	140,725	A	\$ 0 (2)	535,424	D	
Common Shares	08/11/2016		M	70,500	A	\$ 0 (3)	605,924	D	
Common Shares	08/11/2016		M	271,200	A	\$ 0 (4)	877,124	D	
Common Shares	08/11/2016		M	162,400	A	\$ 0 (5)	1,039,524	D	

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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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	08/11/2016		M	120,000	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Shares	120,000
Restricted Stock Units	(<u>2)</u>	08/11/2016		M	140,725	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	140,725
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	08/11/2016		M	70,500	(3)	(3)	Common Shares	70,500
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	08/11/2016		M	271,200	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Shares	271,200
Restricted Stock Units	(<u>5)</u>	08/11/2016		M	162,400	<u>(5)</u>	(5)	Common Shares	162,400

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
FB	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Earnest Frederick Hume C/O VISTA GOLD CORP 7961 SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE 5 LITTLETON, CO 80127	X		President and CEO				

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Signatures

/s/ Connie Martinez as attorney-in-fact for Frederick H. Earnest

08/15/2016

**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).
- Full vesting of grant of 120,000 restricted stock units ("RSU") granted on 7/28/15 and previously reported on a Form 4 filed with the

 (1) Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") on 7/30/15. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of VGZ common stock. Vesting of the RSUs was not contingent on performance criteria.
 - Partial vesting of grant of 433,000 RSUs on 7/28/15, previously reported on a Form 4 filed with the SEC on 7/30/15. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of VGZ common stock. Total does not include 32,475 shares underlying performance share awards previously reported on the Form 4 filed 7/30/15, which were forfeited due to failure to achieve the specified performance
- (2) criteria. Vesting of 40% of the RSUs will occur on 7/28/17, subject to share price performance criteria for the Issuer's common shares. The remaining 20% of the grant is will vest on the 2nd and 3rd year anniversaries of the grant. VESTING OF THE REMAINING RSUs IS SUBJECT TO PERFORMANCE AND MARKET PRICE CRITERIA AND THE RSUs WILL NOT NECESSARILY VEST OR CONVERT INTO NON-DERIVATIVE SECURITIES TO BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY THE REPORTING PERSON.
- (3) Partial vesting (50%) of grant of 141,000 RSUs on 7/29/14, previously reported on a Form 4 filed with the SEC on 7/31/14 (50% of the grant previously vested on 7/28/15). Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of VGZ common stock.
 - Partial vesting of grant of 452,000 RSUs on 7/29/14, previously reported on a Form 4 filed with the SEC on 7/31/14. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of VGZ common stock. Vesting of the 271,200 RSUs was subject to the reporting
- person meeting annual performance criteria. Vesting of the remaining 180,800 RSUs is contingent upon share price performance criteria for the Issuer's common shares. VESTING OF THE REMAINING RSUs IS SUBJECT TO MARKET PRICE CRITERIA AND WILL NOT NECESSARILY VEST OR CONVERT INTO NON-DERIVATIVE SECURITIES TO BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY THE REPORTING PERSON.
- Partial vesting of grant of 406,000 RSUs on 8/9/13, previously reported on a Form 4 filed with the SEC on 8/12/13. Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of VGZ common stock. Vesting of the RSUs was subject to the reporting person meeting annual performance criteria.

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