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FORM 4

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **Eppler William Durand**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

VISTA GOLD CORP [VGZ]

(First) (Middle) (Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

C/O VISTA GOLD CORP., 7961 SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE5

(Month/Day/Year) 08/04/2017

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

(Street)

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

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

LITTLETON, CO 80127

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

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

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following

Issuer

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

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(A) or Code V Amount (D) Price Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

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 Conversion Security or Exercise

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

any

4. 5. Number of TransactionDerivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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(In	str. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)					
					Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Sto	estricted ock nits (2)	\$ 0 (1)	08/04/2017		A		44,000		<u>(1)</u>	08/04/2020	Common Shares	44,000

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Eppler William Durand C/O VISTA GOLD CORP. 7961 SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE5 LITTLETON, CO 80127



Signatures

/s/ Connie Martinez as attorney-in-fact for William Durand Eppler

08/08/2017

**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).
- Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of VGZ common stock ("RSU"). Vesting of 40% of the RSUs will vest over a 36-month period (1/3 at 12 months, 1/3 at 24 months and 1/3 at 36 months), subject to the reporting person's continuing service as a director of the Issuer. Vesting of the remaining 60% of the RSUs will occur on 8/04/2019; vesting is contingent upon share price performance criteria for the Issuer's common shares during the 2-year vesting period.
- VESTING OF THE RSU GRANTS IS SUBJECT TO PERFORMANCE AND MARKET PRICE CRITERIA AND THE RSUs WILL (2) NOT NECESSARILY VEST OR CONVERT INTO NON-DERIVATIVE SECURITIES TO BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY THE REPORTING PERSON.

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