

# FORM 4

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

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* PEIKER EDWIN W JR  (Last) (First) (Middle) 1660 WYNKOOP STREET SUITE 1000  (Street) DENVER CO 80202-1132  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol ROYAL GOLD INC RGLD	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 8/1/2005	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Trans- action Date  (Month/ Day/ Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any  (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action 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. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)  (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Owner- ship  (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common stock	8/1/ 2005		S (1)		2,600	D	\$19.4	152,780.46	I (2)	Family LLC
Common stock	8/1/ 2005		S (1)		1,400	D	\$19.41	151,380.46	I (2)	Family LLC
Common stock	8/1/ 2005		S (1)		100	D	\$19.42	151,280.46	I (2)	Family LLC
Common stock	8/1/ 2005		S (1)		900	D	\$19.45	150,380.46	I (2)	Family LLC

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

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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)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
								Date Exercisable	Expiration Date						
				Code	V	(A)	(D)								

Explanation of Responses:

See attached "FOOTNOTES" page.

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations.  
 See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

/s/Edwin W. Peiker, Jr., kg for  
 \*\* Signature of Reporting Person

8/3/2005  
 Date

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- 1 Sale made pursuant to a 10b5-1 trading plan.
- 2 Represents shares held by the reporting person with respect to the family LLC in which the person has a pecuniary interest.