

HOWELL S ODEN JR
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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 *
HOWELL S ODEN JR

(Last) (First) (Middle)

1660 WYNKOOP STREET, SUITE 1000

(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202-1132

(City) (State) (Zip)

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

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
09/24/2010

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

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

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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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	09/24/2010		M	5,000 A \$ 2.81	472,230 ⁽¹⁾	D	
Common Stock					20,000	I	Spouse

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

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(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)
Common Stock (Right to Buy - NSO)	\$ 2.81	09/24/2010		M	5,000	11/14/2001 ⁽²⁾ 11/14/2010	Common Stock 5,000

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/S. Oden Howell, Jr., Karen Gross, by power of attorney
Date: 09/28/2010

**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 1,000 shares of restricted stock that have not yet vested.
- (2) 50% were exercisable on the grant date; the remaining 50% were exercisable on November 14, 2001, one year after the grant.

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