

ROYAL GOLD INC  
Form 8-K  
January 05, 2009

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of  
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) January 1, 2009

ROYAL GOLD, INC.

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| Delaware<br>(State or other jurisdiction<br>of incorporation)                           | 001-13357<br>(Commission<br>File Number) | 84-0835164<br>(IRS Employer<br>Identification No.) |
| 1660 Wynkoop Street, Suite 1000, Denver, CO<br>(Address of principal executive offices) |  | 80202-1132<br>(Zip Code)                           |

Registrant's telephone number, including area code 303-573-1660

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(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))



Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers;  
Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers

Effective January 1, 2009, Stanley Dempsey retired from his position as Executive Chairman of Royal Gold, Inc. Mr. Dempsey will continue to serve as the Chairman of the Board of Directors of Royal Gold, Inc. (the "Board").

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

Royal Gold, Inc.  
(Registrant)

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| By:    | /s/ Karen Gross                        |
| Name:  | Karen Gross                            |
| Title: | Vice President and Corporate Secretary |

Dated: January 5, 2009

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