

VISTA GOLD CORP
Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
Rozelle John W.

(Last) (First) (Middle)

C/O VISTA GOLD CORP., 7961
SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE 5

(Street)

LITTLETON, CO 80127

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
VISTA GOLD CORP [VGZ]

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

08/11/2016

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)

Senior Vice President

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 Shares | 08/11/2016 | | M | | 48,750 | A | \$ 0 (1) |
| Common Shares | 08/11/2016 | | M | | 24,500 | A | \$ 0 (2) |
| Common Shares | 08/11/2016 | | M | | 94,200 | A | \$ 0 (3) |
| Common Shares | 08/11/2016 | | M | | 56,400 | A | \$ 0 (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 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. Amount or Number of Shares |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|--|---|-------------------------------|
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(1)</u> | 08/11/2016 | | M | 48,750 | <u>(1)</u> <u>(1)</u> | Common Shares | 48,750 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(2)</u> | 08/11/2016 | | M | 24,500 | <u>(2)</u> <u>(2)</u> | Common Shares | 24,500 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(3)</u> | 08/11/2016 | | M | 94,200 | <u>(3)</u> <u>(3)</u> | Common Shares | 94,200 |
| Restricted Stock Units | <u>(4)</u> | 08/11/2016 | | M | 56,400 | <u>(4)</u> <u>(4)</u> | Common Shares | 56,400 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| Rozelle John W. C/O VISTA GOLD CORP. 7961 SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE 5 LITTLETON, CO 80127 | | | Senior Vice President | |

Signatures

/s/ Connie Martinez, as attorney-in-fact for John W. Rozelle
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).

Partial vesting of grant of 150,000 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 11,250 shares underlying performance share awards previously reported on the Form 4 filed 7/30/15, which were forfeited due to failure to achieved the specified performance

(1) 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 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.

(2) Partial vesting (50%) of grant of 49,000 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 157,000 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 94,200 RSUs was subject to the reporting person meeting annual performance criteria. Vesting of the remaining 62,800 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.

(3) Partial vesting of grant of 141,000 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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