VISTA GOLD CORP

Form 4

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Rozelle John W. Issuer Symbol VISTA GOLD CORP [VGZ] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X_ Officer (give title) C/O VISTA GOLD CORP., 7961 08/11/2016 below) SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE 5 Senior Vice President (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line)

LITTLETON, CO 80127

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(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	quired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. 4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of Code (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			of	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Shares	08/11/2016		M	48,750	A	\$ 0 (1)	131,275	D	
Common Shares	08/11/2016		M	24,500	A	\$ 0 (2)	155,775	D	
Common Shares	08/11/2016		M	94,200	A	\$ 0 (3)	249,975	D	
Common Shares	08/11/2016		M	56,400	A	\$ 0 (4)	306,375	D	

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)		3 (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	08/11/2016		M	48,750	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Shares	48,750	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	08/11/2016		M	24,500	<u>(2)</u>	(2)	Common Shares	24,500	
Restricted Stock Units	(3)	08/11/2016		M	94,200	(3)	(3)	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 Rozelle	John W.	08/15/2016				
**Signature of Reporting Person			Date			

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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 approach performance criteria. Vesting of the remaining 62,800 RSUs is contingent upon share price performance criteria for the
- (3) 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.
- 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 (4) 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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