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| FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 | | | | | | | | | 3 nber: | 3235-028 | |
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| if no lon subject t Section | 16. SIAIE N | F CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES | | | | | | Expires: 2005 Estimated average burden hours per | | | |
| Form 4 orresponseForm 5Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,obligationsSection 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Sectionsee Instruction30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 19401(b).1000000000000000000000000000000000000 | | | | | | | | | | . 0.5 | |
| (Print or Type | Responses) | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <u>*</u> Rozelle John W. | | | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VISTA GOLD CORP [VGZ] | | | | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) | | | | |
| (Last) | (First) (| Middle) | 3. Date of | of Earliest T | ransaction | | (Ch | eek all ap | pricable | 6) | |
| C/O VISTA GOLD CORP., 7961 SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE 5 | | | (Month/Day/Year) 08/18/2016 | | | Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President | | | | | |
| (Street) | | | 4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year) | | | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting | | | | | |
| LITTLETC | ON, CO 80127 | | | | | | Person | v More that | 1 One K | eporung | |
| (City) | (State) | (Zip) | Tab | le I - Non-l | Derivative | Securities A | Acquired, Disposed | of, or Be | neficia | lly Owned | |
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deem Execution any (Month/Da | Date, if | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) Code V | Disposed (Instr. 3, | (A) or of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Owne Form: D (D) or In (I) (Instr. 4) | pirect ndirect | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) | |
| Reminder: Re | port on a separate line | e for each cl | ass of sec | urities bene | Perso inforr requi | ns who re nation con red to resp ays a curre | or indirectly. spond to the colle tained in this forr ond unless the fo ntly valid OMB co | n are no orm | | SEC 1474 (9-02) | |

 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

| 1. Title of | 2. | 3. Transaction Date | 3A. Deemed | 4. | 5. Number of | 6. Date Exercisable and | 7. Title and Amount of |
|-------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Derivative | Conversion | (Month/Day/Year) | Execution Date, if | Transacti | orDerivative | Expiration Date | Underlying Securities |
| Security | or Exercise | | any | Code | Securities | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 3 and 4) |

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | or Disp (D) | (Instr. 3, 4, | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | Code N | 7 (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares |
| Restricted Stock Units (2) | \$ 0 <u>(1)</u> | 08/18/2016 | | А | 39,00 | 0 | <u>(1)</u> | 08/18/2019 | Common Shares | 39,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | |
|---|---------------|------------|-----------------------------|-------|--|--|
| r of the test of the | 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. | 08/22/2016 | | | | |
| **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).

(1) Each restricted stock unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of VGZ common stock ("RSU"). Vesting of 40% of the RSUs will vest over a 36-month period (1/3 at 12 months, 1/3 at 24 months and 1/3 at 36 months), subject to the reporting person's continuing employment of the Issuer. Vesting of the remaining 60% of the RSUs will occur on 8/18/2018; vesting is contingent upon share price performance criteria for the Issuer's common shares during the 2-year vesting period.

VESTING OF THE RSU GRANTS IS SUBJECT TO PERFORMANCE AND MARKET PRICE CRITERIA AND THE RSUs WILL (2) NOT NECESSARILY VEST OR CONVERT INTO NON-DERIVATIVE SECURITIES TO BE BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY THE REPORTING PERSON.

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space is insufficient, *see* Instruction 6 for procedure. Potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information contained in this form are not required to respond unless the form displays a currently valid OMB number.