

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

June 16, 2010

Mr. Stefan Wenger Chief Financial Officer Royal Gold, Inc. 1660 Wynkoop Street, Suite 1000 Denver, Colorado 80202

Re: Royal Gold, Inc.

Form 10-K for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009

Filed August 21, 2009

Response Letters Dated February 19, 2010, April 23, 2010 and

June 7, 2010

File No. 001-13357

Dear Mr. Wenger:

We have reviewed your response letters and have the following comment. In some of our comments, we may ask you to provide us with information so we may better understand your disclosure.

Please respond to this letter within ten business days by amending your filing, by providing the requested information, or by advising us when you will provide the requested response. If you do not believe our comments apply to your facts and circumstances or do not believe an amendment is appropriate, please tell us why in your response.

After reviewing any amendment to your filing and the information you provide in response to these comments, we may have additional comments.

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- 1. We have considered your response to comment two in our letter dated January 29, 2010, comment one in our letter dated April 6, 2010, and our conference call on June 1, 2010 with regard to your 3% net smelter royalty agreement with Quadra. Based on the information you provided in your latest response letter dated June 7, 2010, please address the following items and provide us with a sample of your proposed expanded disclosure where applicable:
  - Expand your Critical Accounting Policy and Royalty Revenue footnote
    disclosures to clearly indicate that you do not have all the key information
    regarding the terms of the associated smelter contracts, such as the terms of
    specific concentrate shipments to a smelter or quantities of metal or expected
    settlement arrangements at the time of shipment;
  - Affirm that you will continue to disclose when material adjustments have affected current revenues and operating income; and
  - Confirm, if true, that at the end of the life of the Robinson mine (i.e. when
    there is no delivery of current production), you will have no rights or
    obligations with respect to volume and final settlement price adjustments for
    delivery in prior months (i.e. net positive or negative), or otherwise advise. If
    true, please expand your Critical Accounting Policy and Royalty Revenue
    footnote disclosures accordingly.

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## **Closing Comments**

You may contact Jennifer O'Brien at (202) 551-3721 or Mark Wojciechowski at (202) 551-3759 if you have questions regarding comments on the financial statements and related matters. Please contact John Lucas at (202) 551-5798, Laura Nicholson at (202) 551-3584, or me at (202) 551-3740 with any other questions.

Sincerely,

H. Roger Schwall Assistant Director