

**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
January 24, 2012**

**ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Royal Gold, Inc.**

**File No. 001-13357 - CF#27804**

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Royal Gold, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 8-K filed on December 28, 2011.

Based on representations by Royal Gold, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 10.1                      through December 22, 2021

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

John Reynolds  
Assistant Director