VISTA GOLD CORP

Form 4

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of ENGELE JOHN F		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol VISTA GOLD CORP [VGZ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (Fi	rst) (Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check all applicable)			
		(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
C/O VISTA GOLI SHAFFER PARK		08/11/2016	X_ Officer (give title Other (specification) Senior VP - CFO			
			20000			
(St	reet)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
LITTLETON, CO	80127	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	erivative Se	curiti	es Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Cransaction Date 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		on(A) or Disp	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		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 Stock	08/11/2016		M	75,725	A	\$ 0 (1)	137,000	D	
Common Stock	08/11/2016		M	30,500	A	\$ 0 (2)	167,500	D	
Common Stock	08/11/2016		M	145,800	A	\$ 0 (3)	313,300	D	
Common Stock	08/11/2016		M	87,600	A	\$ 0 (4)	400,900	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)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	08/11/2016		M		75,725	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Common Shares	75,725
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(2)</u>	08/11/2016		M		30,500	(2)	(2)	Common Shares	30,500
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(3)</u>	08/11/2016		M		145,800	(3)	<u>(3)</u>	Common Shares	145,800
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(4)</u>	08/11/2016		M		87,600	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	Common Shares	87,600

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Keiauonsinps						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			

ENGELE JOHN F C/O VISTA GOLD CORP.

7961 SHAFFER PARKWAY, SUITE 5 Senior VP - CFO

LITTLETON, CO 80127

Signatures

/s/ Connie Martinez, as attorney-in-fact for John F.
Engele
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 233,000 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 17,475 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.
- Partial vesting (50%) of grant of 61,000 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 243,000 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 145,800 RSUs was subject to the reporting
- (3) person meeting annual performance criteria. Vesting of the remaining 97,200 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 219,000 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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